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CARDINAL BELLARMI COUNCIL #4849

JANUARY 2016 MONTHLY EVENTS

01/02/2016	District Deputy Leadership Meeting	Holy Angels—Connor Lounge at 9:00am
01/05/2016	Essay Contest Awards	Holy Angels—Connor Hall at 7:00pm Reception to follow in Connor Lounge
01/5/2016	Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm
01/10/2016	Confirmation Honor Guard	Holy Angels Church at 1:00pm
01/12/2016	1st Degree Exemplification	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm
01/18/2016	Council Free Throw Contest	Holy Angels School at 2:45pm
01/26/2016	Planning Meeting	Holy Angels—Connor Lounge at 7:30pm

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

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JANUARY 2016

Principles of the Order

Charity
Unity
Fraternity
Patriotism



Council Directors

<u>Membership Director</u>	<u>Program Director</u>	
Bill Laudando	Norb Rozanski	
<u>Recruitment</u>	<u>Church</u>	Bill Dugan
All Members	<u>Community</u>	Dean Myles
<u>Retention</u>	<u>Council</u>	Bill Dugan
Norb Rozanski (Chair)	<u>Family</u>	Stan Rocush
<u>Public Information Officer</u>	<u>Culture of Life</u>	Chuck Jones
Open	<u>Youth</u>	Russ Huggins

**Cardinal Bellarmine
Council 4849**

2015 - 2016 Officers

Grand Knight

Matt Guthrie

Chaplain

Rev. Michael G. Lavan

Assistant Chaplain

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

Deputy Grand Knight

Norb Rozanski

Chancellor

Stan Rocush

Recorder

Bill Dugan

Financial Secretary

Dean Myles

Treasurer

Ray Froehlich

Lecturer

Matt Gilmore

Advocate

Russ Huggins

Warden

Mike Orlando

Inside Guard

Darrel Bancroft

Outside Guard

Joe Peters

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*The publication will be
monthly for the*

Cardinal Bellarmine Council.

*The deadline for an article
submission is:*

24th of the Month.

Please send articles to:

admin@kofc4849.net

Grand Knight Line

Brother Knights,

The new year is upon us and many of us are thinking about change and the New Years Resolution. We tend to take time to reflect upon the past year and the things we should have done, the people we have lost , and what we could have done to be a better Catholic man. This year is the Year of Mercy, and there are several resources available to help us to reflect on this topic. Use of the Word Among Us, or Magnificat are some great resources. Pray Daily and make use of our Parish resources.

We have struggled thus far with membership and have a large goal to met. This is not an extraordinary feat and our struggles with this are the same as other Councils and organizations. People are finding it difficult to be a member of an organization and also be a better Catholic man. The order has made several suggestions to help us and we need to use this advice to be better. We need to engage our families and the Parish in the things we do and demonstrate our intention is for all of us. Membership may be exclusive to Catholic men but it is not intended to seclude us from our families or friends. This is to make us better examples to those around us and help us to grow.

My intention is to not preach to any of you and tell you I am successful at balancing the Life of Knight with the responsibilities of being a Father, a Husband, a Brother, and a Son. I by far have a lot more progress to make and intend to strive for that. I joined the Knights because I need you all to help me grow. Our order is comprised of many men of different backgrounds and struggles. Many of you have helped shape me as a Catholic man and look forward to being like you. My challenge to all of you is to make some time to add your brothers to your prayers and even if all seems well with them continue to support them spiritually and see the fruits grow.

Lets make this Year of Mercy one focused on helping our order grow and be the best we can be. Encourage those new and old to be active and make our Council a success for us all.

I want us to also continue to focus on the monthly theme of "Building the Domestic Church." If you haven't received your copy of the book, let us know and we can get one to you, or you can download a copy from the Supreme web at: [Building the Domestic Church](#)

Or visit:

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/index.html>

*Because God is the Lord of mercy, we want to help heal our
family wounds and promote forgiveness.*

Vivat Jesus!

Matthew Guthrie, Grand Knight

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Deacon's Beacon

Dear Brother Knights,

Following is a column written for our church bulletin in January 2008, and of course, still relevant; may it provide some "food for thought" and spiritual guidance:

Believe it or not, we have now begun another New Year, the year of 2008! Although it's a wise decision to be continually assessing our progress on spiritual and worldly goals, the beginning of a new year is a special time for reflecting on "what we have done and what we have failed to do." Very often new goals (resolutions) lean toward improvements in our physical condition, finances, employment, times for relaxation, etc., but we must remember to include some things to help us grow in our faith, things to draw us closer to our Lord and increase our trust in Him; truly, establishing goals for making progress in our faith journey and then striving to accomplish those goals can be **the most important, and life-changing things we can do.** Here's a few suggestions for consideration:

Have some quiet time for prayer and reading the Bible every day. Read Christian books, magazines and newspapers. Listen to Catholic radio (Relevant Radio, 930 AM) and watch Catholic TV (EWTN on Comcast channel 119). Make a retreat (Marriage Encounter, Cursillo Weekend, a quiet or guided retreat at a retreat center, etc.). Review the daily routine. Treat and relate to others in a positive way. Add new names and intentions to the daily prayer list. Read the Bible. Plan to do something special during the coming Lenten season (less time with "sit-coms," more time with our Lord). Go to Confession often, pray outside the Planned Parenthood facility, and the list goes on

Whatever we choose, the important part is that we decide **to do something;** and may the Holy Spirit guide us in our choices while motivating us to action. Wishing each of you a Happy and Holy New Year!

"Dear Holy Spirit, help me to recognize the importance of growing in my relationship with the Lord and guide me in what I must do in order to experience that growth."

P.S. Recently found (Dec. 2015) the following among my notes. I don't remember the source but I believe it shouts loudly to us:

**"Nothing is more important than giving time to God
- and in today's world, nothing is more difficult."**

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

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Membership News

Keep a Star Council Mindset

Our Star Council Award winners are the leaders of our Order in the areas of membership, insurance promotion and service programs. They are councils that have adopted the mindset to be successful in membership recruitment, insurance promotion and charitable works.

To be eligible to earn the Star Council Award, a council must qualify for the Father McGivney, Founders' and Columbian awards. To qualify for these awards, your council must also submit the *Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) and the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365).

To earn the Columbian Award, your council must complete and submit the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP7), which may be found in the *Council Report Forms Booklet* (#1436) or at kofc.org/forms. Remember, you can track your progress toward the award by using the *Star Council Checklist Poster* (#5104).

Councils must conduct and report at least four major programs in each of the Service Program categories (Church, Community, Council, Family, Culture of Life and Youth). Or, as an alternative, councils may conduct a single featured program in each category, thereby fulfilling all requirements for that category. The featured programs and their respective categories include the following: Refund Support Vocations Program – RSVP (Church), Habitat for Humanity or Global Wheelchair Mission (Community), Special Olympics (Council), Food for Families (Family), Ultrasound Initiative or a March for Life event (Culture of Life) and Coats for Kids (Youth).

This is an excerpt of the article written in the Knightline newsletter published by the Knights of Coumbus Supreme Council, January 2016 Issue.

For more information of the complete article visit:

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/publications/lc/knightline/index.html>

Degree	Training
<p>Are you a third degree member? If not, you can easily become one by taking your 2nd and 3rd degrees.</p> <p>The next major degree(s) scheduled:</p> <p>For more details, www.illinoisknights.org</p> <p>01/17/2016 #11666 1:00pm</p> <p>Huntley (St. Mary's)</p>	<p><u>KC Academy</u></p> <p>The K.C. Academy is proud to present a training session on:</p> <p>Council Officer Training, Financial Officer Training, and Knight Mentoring</p> <p>Be on the lookout for our session in Connor Hall coming April 2, 2016.</p>

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IS LIFE!**



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 2016 - April 7th - 10th**

January (Building the Domestic Church)

Psalm of the Month (Psalm 51)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy steadfast love; according to thy abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in thy sight, so that thou art justified in thy sentence and blameless in thy judgment. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Fill me with joy and gladness; let the bones which thou hast broken rejoice.

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, john@theschreibers.com

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 now official #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 you member Number login and make your selections from the list. You can type up a reason for your choice but must vote for 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