



St. Catherine Laboure Knights of Columbus

Council 12323

**Next Meeting  
Tuesday,  
February 18th**

All men of the parish are invited Tuesday, February 18 to join the Knights of Columbus at 6:30 pm in church to pray the rosary. Afterwards join us in the Parish Center for food and fellowship. The monthly meeting will follow. All men are invited to attend and the Knights look forward to seeing you there.

Questions:

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#### News Item

Congratulations To Brother Knight Colin Goodwin!

Our brother Knight Colin Goodwin won an impressive award as an "Exceptional Caregiver" for his dedication and service efforts to those needing long term care at Friendship Village. The award was given by an organization called *Voice*, which seeks to educate and empower persons and their families for quality living across the continuum of long-term care in the St. Louis area. There were 85 nominations and Colin was one of only 20 winners!



Faith In Action – Community:

#### **A Higher Purpose**

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship for boys and girls from the ages of 9 to 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Kids compete within their own gender and age and progress from local level to district, regional and state/province competitions. This program is a great way to introduce the Order to your community and recruit faithful family men of service.

#### **Overview**

The Knights of Columbus recently hosted a Free Throw Championship at St. Catherine Laboure on January 28<sup>th</sup>. About 50 students attended with 2 top scores in each age group 9 through 13 years old. Congratulations and thank you to Zach Brewster, Emery Fernandez, Ady Balee, Owen Hebenstreit, Elaina Meyer, Lucas Webb, Allison Sinak, Zach Sinak, Abigail Geldmacher, and Luke Walsh.

**What are the Knights of Columbus Up To?**

**March 15<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast**  
**April 18<sup>th</sup> Black Light Bingo**  
**April 19<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast**

#### ***Did you Know...?***

As reported by the Catholic News Agency, Jan 31, 2020, "The Knights of Columbus has announced a major revision to its longtime initiation ceremonies and for the first time will open them to the public..."

"The new ceremony will now combine all three degrees and, in another major change, will be opened to the public. Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said the exemplification may be conducted in a council's meeting chamber or in a church, "with families and friends seated in the pews." "They will see firsthand the organization that their husbands, fathers, brothers, sons and friends are joining — the principles and values they are committing to and why it matters."

The biggest challenge is time, men feel that they just cannot do one more thing. Do you have time to put a coat on a child during the winter months, and can you help us just two hours a year to collect money for people with intellectual disabilities? If you can do that, you will be a great Knight of Columbus...this helps to strengthen the Church.

To read more go to <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/.../in-major-change-knights-of-columbus-drop-secret-initiation-ceremony-19364>.