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*“We’ve had enough exhortations to be quiet! Cry out with a hundred thousand tongues!
I see the world is rotten because of silence.” —St. Catherine of Siena*

MDRT = MVP ... WHAT?



Every sport, every enterprise, every organization, every industry has their top reps, their all-stars and their most valuable players. They are the ones who give their all 100% of the time; they represent their companies masterfully, they get customers and retain them, they provide extraordinary service, they inspire their colleagues to reach heights no one thought attainable. Well, the financial services industry is no different and I'd like to take a few minutes to tell you about that.

The financial services insurance industry has an organization called the Million Dollar Round Table or MDRT. It is an international organization that was founded in 1927 and it recognizes agents for their commitment to excellence, professionalism, outstanding service, and the highest ethical standards. In our industry, these are the hallmarks of the all-stars.

“Big deal!” you might say. “What’s so special about that?” Let me tell you what is so special about membership in the Million Dollar Round Table. Across the industry in a normal year, only about 2% of advisers meet the stringent requirements to become an MDRT member. We’ve had a great track record at the KofC over the last four or five years where 10% to 11% of our field agents qualified for membership. That’s about five times the industry average!

But last year was anything but normal and we had an anything-but-normal group qualify for MDRT: 38%, yes, you read correctly, 38% of our field force qualified for membership in this prestigious organization. There were only three other companies in the United States that had a higher number of qualifiers, but none came close to our percentage of qualifiers. Your Knights of Columbus beat out some of the biggest names in the industry.

What does all this mean to you? This kind of result doesn’t come about by accident. It demonstrates the Knights of Columbus’ commitment to give you, our members and your families, a highly trained, qualified, and

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Virtue of the Month **October = Confidence**

Behold I am with you. — Matt. 28:20

The pressure of necessity gives occasion to show whether we truly trust in God. Believe me, three strokes will do more than ten ordinarily, if God puts His hand to the work; and He always does when He takes away human help, and obliges us to perform work above our strength.

— St. Vincent de Paul

When this Saint was once told by his house-steward that he had not a sou for daily expenses without considering the special ones for approaching ordinations, he replied with a tranquil heart and cheerful face, full of confidence in God: "What good news! Blessed be God! Now is the time to show whether we trust in Him. Oh, how infinite are the treasures of Divine Providence, which we dishonor by our want of trust!"



The Knights of Columbus Insurance Office of Andrew Weiss has settled into a new location. Since May of 2020 Andrew has been in the Innovation Park building at Notre Dame. His new office address is 1400 E. Angela Blvd. Suite 271, South Bend, IN 46617. His office phone number is (574) 274-8023. Schedule a time to visit Andrew and complete a financial review by visiting his website at www.AndrewWeissKofC.com.

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BREW AT THE ZOO

Brew at the Zoo is the Potawatomi Zoo's annual beer tasting event which took place on Saturday, September 25th. Guests had the opportunity to enjoy samples of their favorite beers and hard ciders from the area's best breweries as they journeyed through the Zoo. Food was available for purchase and our KofC food tent was a big part of that.

We raised over \$1,000 and members who worked had a really good time.

ZOO BOO

We have been invited to make a repeat performance with our food tent at Potawatomi for their annual **ZOO BOO** which will be held from October 21st to 24th



If you weren't able to participate in Brew at the Zoo last month, **ZOO BOO** will provide you with an additional opportunity to get in on the action. We need lots of volunteers.

Serving hours are as follows:

- Friday, October 22nd** - 4 to 8 pm
- Saturday, October 23rd** - 4 to 8 pm
- Sunday, October 24th** - Noon to 4

Over 13,000 people came to this event last year, so we will need "all-hands-on-deck" participation from our members this year to make it another success for the Knights.

To volunteer, please call Steve Sommers at **574-220-1212**.

Congratulations to our Knight of the Month for September

Fr. Jim Fenstermacker
We appreciate all you do!

MDRT = MVP

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committed financial services professional. My job is to use my skill and knowledge to make sure you understand the issues of protecting your family from the unknown.

Let's get together soon...and I'll tell you about my Million Dollar Round Table journey.

Vivat Jesus!

**Andrew Weiss is a Court of the Table Member of the Million Dollar Round Table, which represents the top 1% of MDRT members!*

Contact him today to customize your policy.

<https://andrewweisskofc.com/schedule-a-meeting/>

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AUCTION

This vital annual event will take place on Sunday, November 28th at 1pm. Your participation will not only help you get a jump start on your Christmas shopping, but will also provide you a wonderful opportunity to improve the lives of troubled boys and girls through Gibault Children's Services.

There will be a huge variety of items from clothing such as hats, coats, socks, and gloves; to toys including board games, stuffed animals, lego-like building blocks, balls, and kid-friendly battery operated items; to pre-lit Christmas trees, ornaments, and other holiday decor.

Participants will check in and receive an auction paddle then bid on what they want. There will be more than one of the same item, so once an item has been won, the auctioneer will allow others to purchase the remaining items at the winning bid price.

The items can be purchased for you and your family, or you may wish to purchase several of a particular item and donate them to Gibault which was founded in 1921 by the Indiana Knights of Columbus as a home for wayward children.

Last year's was a huge success. Let's make this one even better.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MIDWEST REGION FRATERNAL BENEFIT NIGHT

You're Invited to a Virtual Webinar with
Industry Leader Van Mueller
October 13th, 2021 - 7:30 PM EST

Financial Success Under Any Circumstance

You're invited to join our webinar where Van will ask some wonderful compelling questions that will help you clarify how to have financial and retirement success. Here are a few examples.

1. How can you maximize your social security?
2. Do you prefer to build a legacy for your family and business or the Internal Revenue Service?
3. If there was a way to reduce or eliminate the income tax liability on your IRA or 401K, when would you want to know about it. Before or after they charge the tax?
4. Can you build a wonderful retirement income if interest rates remain at zero and the stock market offers zero return for a decade?



You must Pre-Register for this event

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UPCOMING EVENTS - OCTOBER 2021

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| 7th | Fourth Degree Meeting @ 7:00pm |
| 7th | Rosary at Holy Cross @ 7:00pm |
| 11th | Knights Rosary at the Hall @ 7:30pm |
| 11th | Business Meeting Following Rosary |
| 18th | Rosaries at CTK @ 6:30pm / St. Joseph's @ 7:30pm |
| 22, 23, 24 | Zoo Boo - Food Tent at Potawatomi Zoo |
| 25th | 1st Degree Ceremony @ 7:30pm |
| 25th | Social Meeting @ 7:30pm |

NOVEMBER

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| 4th | Fourth Degree Meeting @ 7:00pm |
| 4th | Rosary at Holy Cross @ 7:00pm |
| 8th | Knights Rosary at the Hall @ 7:30pm |
| 8th | Business Meeting Following Rosary |
| 15th | Rosaries at CTK @ 6:30pm / St. Joseph's @ 7:30pm |
| 22nd | 1st Degree Ceremony @ 7:30pm |
| 22nd | Social Meeting @ 7:30pm |

DECEMBER

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| 3rd | Fourth Degree Meeting @ 7:00pm |
| 3rd | Rosary at Holy Cross @ 7:00pm |
| 13th | Knights Rosary at the Hall @ 7:30pm |
| 13th | Business Meeting Following Rosary |
| 20th | Rosaries at CTK @ 6:30pm / St. Joseph's @ 7:30pm |
| 27th | 1st Degree Ceremony @ 7:30pm |
| 27th | Social Meeting @ 7:30pm |

MOVIE REVIEW: DEAR EVAN HANSEN

CatholicNews.com



Ben Platt reprises his Broadway role as the angst-ridden teen of the title in director Stephen Chbosky's screen version of the award-winning 2016 musical drama. After the troubled brother (Colton Ryan) of the fellow student for whom the lad yearns (Kaitlyn Dever) takes his own life, a misunderstanding leads the parents of the deceased (Amy Adams and Danny Pino) to believe that their son and he were best friends. Partly to comfort the couple, partly to get closer to their daughter and partly because he longs for a fuller family life than his overworked divorced mother (Julianne Moore) can provide, he goes along with the idea and gradually elaborates on it. Those in search of toe-tapping diversion should look elsewhere since the work of composers and lyricists Benj Pasek and Justin Paul as well as screenwriter Steven Levenson, the author of the show's book, is anything but lighthearted. While cynics may also come away unsatisfied, viewers inclined to plumb the emotional depths explored in this always intense, but sometimes awkward and overbearing film, should equip themselves with Kleenex. Given the upright nature of the picture's fundamental values and the lesson it teaches about the importance of honesty, parents will probably find it acceptable for older adolescents. *Mature themes, including suicide and depression, references to homosexuality, at least one use of profanity, several milder oaths, one rough and a few crude terms.*

The Catholic News Service classification is A-III – adults.
The Motion Picture Association rating is PG-13 – parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.



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🕯️ SK Joseph Mauck

🕯️ James Szekendi

🕯️ Rev. Richard Conyers

🕯️ Thomas Florkowski

🕯️ Peter Freddoso

🕯️ SK Charles Baumgartner, Jr

🕯️ SK Joseph Michael Coman

🕯️ Charles Connor 🕯️ Donald Dietz

🕯️ Elias Cruz 🕯️ SK Br. James Reilly

🕯️ SK Greg Trytko 🕯️ Alfred Chartier

🕯️ Kevin Baumgartner

🕯️ Christopher Lushis

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KNIGHTS ROSARIES

Come pray with us!

Holy Cross:

1st Thursday @ 7pm

KofC Rosary at the Hall:

2nd Monday @ 7:30pm

Christ the King:

3rd Monday @ 6:30pm

St. Joseph:

3rd Monday @ 7:30pm

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2021 RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH STATEMENT

*United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis - September 27, 2021*

The month of October brings with it our annual observance of Respect Life Month. As part of the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis, this year’s celebration highlights the example of that great saint.

As the faithful protector of both Jesus and Mary, we find in St. Joseph a profound reminder of our own call to welcome, safeguard, and defend God’s precious gift of human life.

Despite the mysterious circumstances surrounding Mary’s pregnancy, St. Joseph took her into his home at the word of the angel. He guided their journey to Bethlehem, found shelter, and welcomed the infant Jesus as his son. When Herod threatened the life of the Christ Child, St. Joseph left

his homeland behind and fled with Jesus and Mary to Egypt.

Like St. Joseph, we are also called to care for those God has entrusted to us—especially vulnerable mothers and children. We can follow in the footsteps of St. Joseph as protector by advocating against taxpayer-funded abortion, which targets the lives of millions of poor children and their mothers here in the United States. We can imitate his care and provision by helping to start Walking with Moms in Need at our parishes, “walking in the shoes” of mothers experiencing a difficult pregnancy, especially low-income mothers in our communities.

At times, we may feel uncertain of our ability to answer the Lord’s

call. But He invites us to faithfully respond, despite our own fears or weaknesses: “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness” (2 Cor 12:9).

May we imitate St. Joseph’s faithful trust and courage as we work to uphold the dignity of every human life. St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

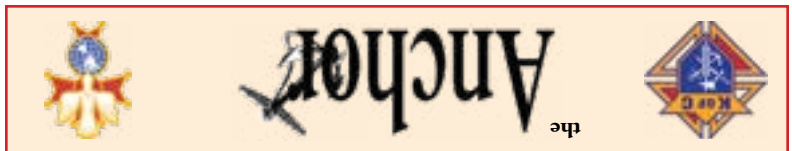
To learn more about preventing taxpayer-funded abortion, visit:
notaxpayerabortion.com.

To walk with moms in need through your local parish, go to:
walkingwithmoms.com.

To join in prayer for the intercession of St. Joseph, defender of life, visit:
respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph.

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