

Knights of Columbus

St. John's Council # 3738

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March 2019 Newsletter

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

March. "In like a lion, out like a lamb." Let us hope this holds true— I, for one, am done with winter.

March 6th is, of course, Ash Wednesday—the start of Lent. It is also the start of 40 Days for Life. Sign up for an hour (or two) at 40daysforlife.com and look for the Downers Grove campaign.

And let's not forget our Famous Lenten Fish Fries, every Friday during Lent! If you are not scheduled to work, stop by to patronize the event.

But most of all, don't forget the reason for Lent. Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days.

God Bless & Vivat Jesus!

Dave Ortman, Grand Knight

2018-2019 Officers of St. John Council 3738

Grand Knight	Dave Ortman
Deputy Grand Knight	Brad Alexander
Chaplain	Rev. Rafal Wasilewski, C.R.
Chaplain's Assistant	Dea. Tom Jagielo
Chancellor	Steve Conklin
Financial Secretary	Frank Rossi
Treasurer	Greg Sobotka
Recorder	Cliff Devitt
Advocate	Ed Mokry
Warden	Mike Fumagalli
Inside Guards	Rich Carroll
	Rob Kaiser
	Mike Wallrich
Outside Guards	Randy Norman
	Tony Pietryla
	Jim Anzelone
Guard Emeritus	Steve Dancik
	Jim Murawski
Trustees	Al Repak (1 yr)
	Tony Polito (2 yr)
	Joe Moffa (3 yr)
Lecturer	Konrad Miskowicz-Retz
Council P.R. Director	Cliff Grammich, Jr.

Weekly Bingo

Bingo at the **Elmhurst Elks Lodge** (*Location - 711 W. St. Charles Rd, Elmhurst, Illinois*)

Join a Team! Help needed!
Become an alternate!

*Help needed for the 2nd & 3rd Weeks—please step up!

Meeting Dates

Council: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Officers: Last Wednesday @ 7 PM
4th Degree: *contact Tony Polito*
Ladies Auxiliary: *T.B.D.*

Program Personnel Assignments for 2018 - 2019

Chaplain – Fr. Rafal Wasilewski, C.R.
Chaplain's Assistant – Deacon Tom Jagielo
Lecturer – Konrad Miskowicz-Retz

Program Director – Frank Rossi (FS)
Church Director – Randy Norman
Community Director – Hank Anzelone
Life Director – Dave Skrzypczynski
Family Director – Rob Kaiser
Fourth Degree Club Director – Tony Polito
Membership Director – Rich Carroll
Public Relations Director – Cliff Grammich, Jr.
Vocations Chairman – Jim Anzelone

Supreme Chaplain's Message

To read our Supreme Chaplain **Archbishop William E. Lori's** monthly message to the Order, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/en/columbia/supreme_chaplain/2019-02-lori-chaplain.html

Supreme Knight's Message - Carl A. Anderson

The Supreme Knight's February 2019 message to the Order is entitled:

WE DO NOT STAND ALONE

To see this important message, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/columbia/supreme_knight/fromthesk_20190201.html

Council News ~ Events

† Congratulations to **Cliff Devitt** and **Ray Wachowski**, our council's newest Fourth Degree Knights!

† **Ladies' Bunco:** Friday, March 1st—7 PM at the Hall. \$6 to play, cash prizes and bar. Bring friends, appetizers, and donations for the People's Resource Center (toiletries, etc.)

† Our next St. John Council 3738 meeting will be **Tuesday, March 12 @ 7:30 PM** at the Hall. We will have a 1st Degree if we have recruits. Please direct prospects to our Membership Chair, Rich Carroll (rich@richcarroll.com)

† **Bingo could use a captain for the 2nd week and additional help on the 3rd week—help out if you can!**

NO BINGO on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th

† **Fish Frys** begin on **Friday, March 8th** at the Hall and continue through **all the Fridays of Lent!** Come eat and spread the word! Frys go from 5pm and last until 8pm. We are preparing for a BIG year so thank you in advance to all helpers and patrons!

† **40 Days March For Life Prayer Vigil** at the abortion clinic at 1700 75th Street begins March 5. More Info at: <https://40daysforlife.com/>

† Stay tuned for more information regarding the **St. Patrick's Day Parade** in downtown Chicago

† **Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast:** Sunday, March 17th from 8am to 1pm at Eisenhower Junior High School (1410 West 75th Street Darien, IL 60561) Brock Austrums will be selling discounted tickets at the March 12th Business Meeting for \$5!

† **Men's Lenten Prayer Nights** at Holy Trinity Parish on Wednesday, March 20th at 7:30pm and Thursday, April 11th at 7:30pm. Join men of the Parish to pray and reflect as a group during the season of Lent. As a council, we will be supporting and "hosting" these events, so attend if you can!

† **Annual Youth Essay Contest:** Current 8th-12th grade students are invited to participate in the annual Essay Contest sponsored by St. John Council. This year's theme is: *How does your family keep its Catholic Faith in Action?* **Essays should be completed and submitted to the Holy Trinity School Office by Monday, April 1st** (attn: Chris Simon, KofC Essay Contest) **or mail essays with entry forms to the Knights of Columbus Hall** (25 N. Cass Ave, Westmont.) Winners will be contacted and invited to the Knights of Columbus Hall for the April Business Meeting on Tuesday, April 9th at 7:30pm to be recognized and receive the scholarship prizes. Pick up an entry form at the Holy Trinity School Office or at this [link](#). (Questions? Email Chris Simon at: christopher.simon34@gmail.com. For More Info: www.kofc.org/essay) Please spread the word and invite kids/grandkids/other youth in your life to participate!



For the Good of the Order . . . [As of 02/20/19]

You are asked to please remember in your prayers the following individuals: Robert Aikens, Sr. (friend of Joe Moffa), Gigi Batryn (grandniece of Hank Anzelone), David Beck (nephew of Jim Turner), Michael & Nancy Bodine, Gene Brenner (FS of St. James Council #9806), Billie Chorney, Brett Copeland (friend of Joe Moffa), Deacons Santiago Corona & Eduardo Flores, Donna Dahistrom and Russell (friends of Steve Dancik), Jerry Fleishfresser (Chancellor of St. James Council # 9806), Robert Fuggiti (staff of District Master), Bunny Goers (friend of Miskowicz-Retz), Mark Gowgiel (son of Tom and Sue), survivors of: the Thousand Oaks and Tree of Life Synagogue (PIT), Tsunami in Indonesia and Hurricane Matthew; Betty and Mary Kate Grammich, Megan Guinup (daughter of Jim Goralewski), Mick Herbst, Eric Hoehler, Paul Isherwood (Vice Supreme Master, Fourth Degree), Mary Jo Kemp (friend of Frank Rossi), Diana Maggio (daughter of Hank Anzelone), Bruce Martynowicz (friend of Cliff Devitt), Chris Mosquera (son of Vincent), Jim Murawski, Barbara Norman (mother of Randy), Charles Picha, Sharyn Polito (wife of Tony), Jeanette & Walter Repak, the Rohde family, Sue Retz (sister-in-law of Konrad Miskowicz-Retz), Pete Serafin (former Field Agent), Linda Spada (wife of PSD Rick), Linda Stites (wife of SD Ted), Fr. David Turner O.S.B. & Steve Turner (Jim's brothers), Melissa Turner (Jim's wife), Al White (friend of Hank Anzelone), Alice & Cliff Wilembrecht, Ed Wojciechowki, Fr. Marian Wroblewski CR

And, please pray for the repose of the souls of: Blanche Duquette (mother-in-law of Dave Skrzypczynski, Sr.), Martha Hojnicky (friend of Ray Wachowski), Rosemary Kaiser (grandmother of Rob), Albert & Bernice Kosla (cousin and wife of Jerry Kolpa), Kathy Lally (wife of Tom), Laddie Malek, Joseph Raymond (cousin of Joe Moffa), Ellen Rohde, Lavinia Sorgi (friend of Tom Dougherty), Shirley "Lee" Valerio (mother of Tracey (Paul) Spotts, owner of DJ's in Westmont), Joe Velazquez (friend of John Greaney), Joyce Ward (mother-in-law of Leo Foertsch), Dave Wassel (cousin of Brad Alexander), Josephine Wolinski (mother of Frank)



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 Bingo in Elmhurst	25	26	27	28	1 Ladies' Bunco	2
3 Bingo in Elmhurst	4	5 Mardi Gras/ Fat Tuesday	6 Ash Wednesday	7	8 Fish Fry	9
10 Bingo in Elmhurst	11	12 Monthly Meeting	13	14	15 Fish Fry	16
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Men's Lenten Prayer Night	21	22 Fish Fry	23
24/31 Bingo in Elmhurst	25	26	27 Officers' Meeting	28	29 KofC Founder's Day Fish Fry	30