

Knights of Columbus

St. John's Council # 3738

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October 2017 Newsletter

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

October is another busy month for our council. We have the Columbus Day Parade in downtown Chicago on October 9, where the Honor Guard will be led by our own Frank Rossi. October 13 is our Reverse Raffle and I encourage you to support this fundraiser by purchasing a ticket and helping us sell hopefully 175 tickets. Our Chili Golf Open at Twin Lakes Golf Course will be held on October 21. Our next Corporate Communion will be held on October 28. October is also the Month of the Rosary and I encourage you to pray the rosary at least once a week with your family.

I want to personally thank everyone who helped with the ID Drive selling Tootsie Rolls in the Churches and on the street corners last month. Special thanks to Cliff Grammich, Jr. and his family for all their hard work organizing and running this event each year. I am also appreciative of those knights who served as an Honor Guard for Westmont's 911 Ceremony. Thank you, too, to everyone who has helped at our bingo on Sundays. And congratulations to our Knight of the Month for August, Cliff Devitt and our Family of the Month, Bill and Linda Anderson.

October 4 is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. Francis is considered the founder of all Franciscan orders and the patron saint of ecologists and merchants. He heard God's call one day while praying at the ancient church at San Damiano and went on to become one of the most venerated Catholic saints. It is said that he designed the first nativity set and was the first man ever to be recorded to receive the Stigmata, the wounds of Christ. I'll close with this Franciscan Blessing that seems very appropriate right now with all that is going on in our world.

"May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain to joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen."

God Bless & Vivat Jesus!

Joe Maffa, Grand Knight

"Try not to become a man of success but rather to become a man of value." Author Unknown.

2017-2018 Officers of St. John Council 3738

Grand Knight	Joseph Moffa
Deputy Grand Knight	Dave Ortman
Chaplain	Rev. Rafal Wasilewski, C.R.
Chaplain's Assistant	Dea. Tom Jagielo
Chancellor	Brad Alexander
Financial Secretary	Frank Rossi
Treasurer	Greg Sobotka
Recorder	Tom Dougherty
Advocate	Steve Conklin
Warden	Ed Mokry
Inside Guards	Rich Carroll
	Mike Fumagalli
	Jim Ryan
	Mike Wallrich
Outside Guards	Randy Norman
	Jim Murawski
	Cliff Devitt
Guard Emeritus	Steve Dancik
Trustees	Bill Fumagalli (1 yr)
	Hank Anzelone (2 yr)
	Al Repak (3 yr)

Weekly Bingo

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

Join a Team!! Help needed!!
Become an alternate!!

Cashier/captain needed for 3rd week—step up!!

Meeting Dates

- Council:** 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
- Officers:** Last Wednesday @ 7 PM
- 4th Degree:** *contact Tony Polito*

Program Personnel Assignments for 2017 - 2018

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

Program Director – Dave Ortman (D.G.K.)
Church Director – Randy Norman
Community Director – Mike Wallrich
Culture of Life Director – Dave Skrzypczynski
Family Co-Directors – Tom Dougherty & Rob Kaiser
Fourth Degree Club Co-Directors – Tony Polito & Steve Conklin
Membership Director – Brad Alexander
Public Relations Director – Cliff Grammich, Jr.
Vocations Chairman – Jim Anzelone
Youth Director – Chris Simon

Our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's September 2017 message to the College Council Conference is entitled . . .

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To see this important message, please go to:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/news/releases/college-speech.html>

Chaplain's Message - Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori

Our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori's September 2017 message to the Order is entitled:

PERIPHERAL VISION

To see this important message, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/en/columbia/supreme_chaplain/2017-09-lori-chaplain.html



Council News ~ Events

† **Thanks** to all who helped with the **ID Drive!** It was a **big success!**

† Among the youth activities that our council supports is the Westmont Youth Baseball Association (WYBA). At our council's meeting last month, Steve Golembiewski, Superintendent of Recreation for the Westmont Park District, presented a plaque to our Joe Moffa, our Grand Knight, acknowledging our contribution (pictured above-right.) We are proud to support this pastime.

† **Ladies Auxiliary Bunco— Friday, October 6.** 7:00pm at the Hall, \$6 to play. Cash bar and prizes. Bring an appetizer to share and a friend! Donations will be accepted for the People's Resource Center.

† **Columbus Day Parade— October 9th.** Mass at 9am (show up at 8:30am) at Our Lady of Pompeii Shrine, 1224 W. Lexington in Chicago. Afterwards a wreath laying ceremony at Arrigo Park, followed by the parade downtown.

† Our **next St. John Council 3738 meeting** will take place on **October 10 @ 7:30 PM**, at the Hall. Contact Brad Alexander with prospective Knights or direct them to him. (BAlexander@SanchezDH.com)

† *After Aug.20, BINGO will be in need of a replacement captain/cashier.* Basically - Captain's responsibilities are to coordinate that week's volunteers - Cashier sells the Bingo games and makes payouts to winners. Interested in one or both? Email Hank at hal5050@aol.com

† **Save the date: Reverse Raffle** will be on Friday, October 13. Our Sales Target 2017 is 175 tickets to be sold, each at \$100 per ticket. We need everyone's help to hit our new target this year.

† Calling all Golfers! - Our **Chili Open Golf Outing** will take place on Saturday, October 21st. Plan is a shotgun start at 1pm. Registration to begin around 12:15. The cost per golfer still is being planned. Hole sponsorships available - \$25 for those.

for the Good of the Order . . .

You are asked to please remember in your prayers the following individuals: April Anzelone (daughter-in-law of Hank), Linda Anzelone (wife of Hank), Michael and Nancy Bodine, Gene Brenner (FS of St. James Council #9806, Glen Ellen), Billie Chorney, Angela Coleman and Roland Sweeten (sister and great grandnephew of Joe Moffa), Grace Enzbigilis (daughter of Al Jr.), Megan Guinup (daughter of Jim Goralewski), Bunny Goers (friend of Miskowicz-Retz), Mark Gowgiel, survivors of: Hurricane Matthew in Haiti and Hurricanes Harvey and Irma in the Southern US and Palm Sunday 2017 church bombings in Egypt, Eric Hoehler, Paul Isherwood (Vice Supreme Master, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus), Frank Joachim, Margarete Jones and Maxine Wilson (mother and mother-in-law of Carlton Jones), Mary Jo Kemp (friend of Frank Rossi), Chris Mosquera (son of SK Vincent), Jim Murawski, Barbara Norman (mother of Randy), Charles Picha, Gene Poulin, Jeanette and Walter Repak (Al's stepmother and father), Fr. Christian Reuter, O.F.M. (friend of Joe Moffa), Frank W. Rossi, Steve Turner (Jim's brother), Tom Wolinski (brother of Frank), Fr. Marion Wroblewski C.R.

And, please pray for the repose of the souls of: John Benton (father-in-law of Cliff Grammich Jr.), Renee Foos (daughter of Charles, former Supreme Master), Ron Gancarczyk (friend of Joe Moffa), Ken Leganski, Steven Leonardi, Edward S. Mokry Sr. (father of SK Ed Mokry Jr.), Ann Ochab (widow of SK Stan Ochab), Jack Ryan (father of Patrick) and victims of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria and the earthquake in Mexico City.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS **October 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Bingo in Elmhurst	2	3	4	5	6 Ladies' Auxiliary Bunco	7
8 Bingo in Elmhurst	9 Columbus Day Parade	10 Council Meeting	11	12	13 Reverse Raffle	14
15 Bingo in Elmhurst	16	17	18	19	20	21 Chili Open
22 Bingo in Elmhurst	23	24	25 Officers' Meeting	26	27	28
29 Bingo in Elmhurst	30	31	1 All Saints' Day	2 All Souls' Day	3	4