

Knights of Columbus

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November 2017 Newsletter

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

On November 11, we will celebrate Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day. It was originally set as a legal holiday to honor the end of World War I. In 1954, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, legislation was passed making November 11 a day to honor American veterans of all wars. Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans - living or dead - but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime. It is a day that gives us the opportunity to celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of all U.S. veterans. It is the Soldier who salutes the flag, serves under the flag and whose coffin is draped by the flag. We salute every one of them, the noble and the brave, the ones still with us here today, and those who rest in a grave. So here's to our country's heroes. Let us give them the honor that is due our country's very best. God Bless them and God Bless America.

On November 23, we will celebrate Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving has been an annual tradition in the United States by presidential proclamation since 1863 and by state legislation since the Founding Fathers of the United States. Historically, it has traditionally been a celebration of the blessings of the year, including the harvest. The "Holiday Season" generally begins with Thanksgiving. I want to take this opportunity to wish all of our members and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving.

In lieu of our regular meeting this month, our Council will hold its Memorial Mass for all of our deceased members at Our Lady's Chapel at Mayslake Village at 7:00 PM. Please join us for this Mass. The Bishop's Burse Mass will be held at Holy Family Church in Shorewood on November 11, at the 4:00 PM Mass. An Honor Guard is needed for this Mass and should report to Holy Family by 3:30 PM. Westmont's Holly Days Parade will be on Saturday evening, November 25. An Honor Guard will march in the parade. We will also have a float which members can ride if they cannot march in the parade. Congratulations to our Knight of the Month for September, Allen W. Senicka and our Family of the Month for September, the Cliff Grammich, Jr. Family.

God Bless & Vivat Jesus!

Joe Maffa, Grand Knight

"If you can think of nothing for which to give thanks, you have a poor memory." - Author unknown.

2017-2018 Officers of St. John Council 3738

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| 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 October 2017 message to the College Council Conference is entitled . . .

THE WITNESS OF FRATERNAL COMMUNION

To see this important message, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/columbia/supreme_knight/fromthesk_20170901.html

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

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

THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

To see this important message, please go to:

http://www.kofc.org/en/columbia/supreme_chaplain/2017-11-lori-chaplain.html

Ticket

St John Council 3738 - Reverse Raffle 2017 Winners

| | | |
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| 12 | <i>Nana & Papa</i> | a knight, Tony Polito & wife Sharon |
| 25 | <i>Chris + Stacia + Tom</i> | a knight, Chris Simon, his sister & brother-in-law |
| 43 | <i>Three Putts</i> | a knight, Ray Putts, and his two siblings |
| 69 | <i>Jim Drabik</i> | a friend of the Knights |
| 144 | <i>We-a-going-a-fishing</i> | six knights & their better halves (Brad Alexander, Bob Boveri, Bob Grabowski, Bob Holum, Carlton Jones & Dr. Craig Reckard) |

Council News ~ Events

† **Thanks** to all who attended and helped with the **Reverse Raffle!** It was a **big** success! Our council sold 25 more tickets than we have ever done before, and so the net proceeds exceeded last year by **\$2785!** See the graphic for the winners above. Special thanks to: Ed Mokry & Mandy Steinhauer (Blackhawks tickets and jersey donations), all volunteers who helped with running the party – the kitchen, bar, & raffle itself, especially the Ladies of Council 3738—and all those who helped sell multiple tickets. The hall is paid for another year! ~ Randy Norman
 † **Ladies Auxiliary Bunco– Friday, November 3.** 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.

† **In lieu of our next St. John Council 3738 meeting, please join us for our Council Memorial Mass on November 14 @ 7 PM at the Mavslake Village chapel.**

† **Family Movie Night** begins Nov. 15 at our Hall 6:30 PM. Bring the whole family!

† We are tentatively scheduled on November 18/19 weekend our Council will hold a **Recruitment Weekend** at Holy Trinity. Contact Brad Alexander if you can help at one of the Masses. (BAlexander@SanchezDH.com.) Our OLMC Recruitment Weekend is being scheduled.

† **Holly Days Parade– November 25th.** Meet at hall before or at the Westmont library parking lot before step-off. Dark overcoats permitted for the cold. Honor Guard needed plus others to carry banners and flags.

† **There is also a Poker Night** the evening of the 25th. Contact Dave Ortman if you would like to help at: dave_ortman@sbcglobal.net

† *BINGO is still 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

† Reminders—**Vocations Raffle:** contact Jim Anzelone for raffle books (anzjames@aol.com), *deadline to get those books in is November 20.* **Pancake Breakfast:** Save the Date for December 10 from 8AM to Noon

for the Good of the Order . . .

You are asked to please remember in your prayers the following individuals: Tom Alexander (brother of Brad), Linda Anzelone (wife of Hank), Alan Baldrige, Nancy Bodine, Gene Brenner (FS of St. James Council #9806, Glen Ellen), Billie Chorney, Angela Coleman (sister of Joe Moffa), Marcus Davies (DGK St. Joachim Council), Grace Enzbigilis (daughter of Al Jr.), Megan Guinup (daughter of Jim Goralewski), Bunny Goers (friend of Miskowicz-Retz), Mark Gowgiel, survivors of: Hurricane Matthew, Harvey, Irma and Maria, the Palm Sunday 2017 church bombings in Egypt, the Las Vegas shootings and September earthquake in Mexico, 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, Tom Pfeiffer (Fr. Perez Council, Chicago), Gene Poulin, Jeanette and Walter Repak (Al's stepmother and father), Fr. Christian Reuter, O.F.M. (friend of Joe Moffa), Therese Schroeder (Tom Dougherty’s cousin), Fr. David Turner, O.S.B. and Steve Turner (Jim's brothers), Tom Wolinski (brother of Frank), Fr. Marion Wroblewski C.R.

And, please pray for the repose of the souls of: Loretta Barrett (mother of William Barrett, Bishop Fitzgerald Council), John Benton (father-in-law of Cliff Grammich Jr.), Renee Foos (daughter of Charles, former Supreme Master), Victims of recent hurricanes, earthquake and shootings; SK Emmett Jacklin, Ken Leganski, David Mayfield (friend of Cliff Devitt), Edward S. Mokry Sr. (father of SK Ed Mokry Jr.), Jack Ryan (father of Patrick), Rosemarie Smagacz [10/30/17]



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS **November 2017**

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 <i>All Saints' Day</i> | 2 <i>All Souls' Day</i> | 3 Ladies' Aux Bunco | 4 |
| 5 Bingo in Elmhurst | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 <i>Veterans Day</i> <i>Bishop's Burse</i> |
| 12 Bingo in Elmhurst | 13 | 14 Memorial Mass (NO MEETING) | 15 Family Movie Night | 16 | 17 | 18 Recruitment Drive |
| 19 Bingo Recruitment Drive | 20 Vocation Raffle Books Due | 21 | 22 | 23 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> | 24 | 25 Holly Days Parade Poker Night |
| 26 Bingo in Elmhurst | 27 | 28 | 29 Officers' Meeting | 30 | 1 | 2 |