



COUNCIL # 6557

NEWSLETTER

March 2019

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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Brothers and Friends,

I would like to welcome new members to our council; Albert Rambaud, Kevin Youll, Steven Fielder, Robert Kirkpatrick, Galicano Tenido, Robert and Joshua Martinez. We should also welcome transfers to our council, Don Reed and Mike Hall. We have recruited 13 new members toward our goal of 23. Every member should try to recruit one new member. We can do this!

I am please to announce that the Supreme Council has approved our application for an ultrasound machine. The Council and the Supreme Council both contributed 50% each toward the purchase price. The machine will be donated to the Houston Collation for Life's Blue Blossom Pregnancy Center located on West T.C. Jester Blvd.

I would like to congratulate of Knight of the Year, Ted DeMatteo and our family of the Year Frederick and Kimberly Sunderman. And to all the Knights and Families who were selected as monthly recipients.

Brother Herb Sommer has volunteered to take over as publisher of the Council's newsletter. Herb needs your help in submitting articles to publish in the newsletter. I will send out a monthly reminder to members requesting articles for the newsletter.

We will be having our Corporate Communion this month March 31st at Sts. Simon & Jude at the 9:30 mass. Please attend and sit with your council.

Our first fundraising of the year will be April 6 and 7th at the Old Time Spring Wine Fest. We need help Saturday afternoon and on Sunday. This is an event both your wife or friend would enjoy working. You can sign up using SighUpGenius

Click on this link at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C4EA4AF2AA3F94-spring>.

Vivat Jesus!



Harold Schambach

From the desk of: LARRY HAWKINS

Four Brother Knights went to the Michael DeBakey V.A. Hospital on Sunday March 10th. The group visited veterans and assisted them where they were able. It was a most rewarding trip for the KofC as well as the veterans that were contacted. While there a mass was celebrated by Father Innocent Njoku. The trip was comprised of brothers Bill Moeller, Robert Hannasch, Phil Rimoldi and Larry Hawkins. The next trip to the V.A. will be on Sunday May 12th.



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Daniel B Spurlock

Advocate

Luis Nieto

Inside Guard

Charles R Keesee

Outside Guard

Patrick B Polasek

Outside Guard

Eric Steven Salley

1yr Trustee

Robert D Perrotta

2yr Trustee

David A Polasek

3yr Trustee

Arnoldo G Rodriguez

Lecturer

Jerome L Leiker



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New Additions are in **Bold** for all categories.

All ongoing Prayer requests are on the bottom.

Illnesses are usually left on this list for a period of 30 - 45 days.

For prayer request or removing names, please contact

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Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness and need. Oh, dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate the worry and sorrow with your gentle love and grant us the peace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place those on our prayer list under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever You do, You do for the love of us.

We pray for our Brothers and family members that are ill or in distress:

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo recovering from mild stroke (March 2019)

SK Chuck Keesee will be having heart surgery on March 26th (March 2019)

SK Mark Piron, is scheduled for surgery on March 25th (March 2019)

Brother Mike Romeo scheduled for abdominal surgery (March 2019)

SK Jack Elliott, sinus procedure (March 2019)

John Drobne uncle of Brother David Dancsak, cancer (February 2019)

Brother Joe Kubeckka was hospitalized and is now in rehab (February 2019)

SK Rich Laboda, undergoing chemotherapy for treatment of cancer (February 2019)

Brother Walter and Ruth Dishberger are home recovering from phenomena. (February 2019)

SK Mike Curtin is home recovering (February 2019)

SK Steve Kane completed half of his radiation treatment and feeling good. (February 2019)

Brother Paul Kirkpatrick, having vision problems (January 2019)

Father Vincent Nguyen past parochial vicar at SSJ recovering from surgery (January 2019)

Carol Adams wife of Brother George Adams, health issues (December 2018)

Brother Doug Saunders mother who fell and broke her back and neck (December 2018)

Shirley Large, deceased wife of Brother Brady Large, health problems (December 2018)

Cassidy O'Rourke and Amelia Richardson, granddaughters of SK Jack Elliott, have been diagnosed with RSV. (December 2018)

SK Jerry Leiker, health issues (December 2018)

Judy Lucy, wife of Brother Ed Lucy, recovering from knee surgery (December 2018)

Stacy Laycock, friend of SK Jamie Sepulveda, cancer (December 2018)

GK Sherman Hannasch brother of SK Robert Hannasch, has been diagnosed with liver cancer (November 2018)

Alfio J. Brindisi friend of Brother Timothy Wilson, recovering from a triple bypass and a recent fall at a local Philadelphia department store. (November 2018)

SK Casmer Bashinski, experiencing severe back pain (November 2018)

Santos Ramos, relative of John Pachecano surgery (November 2018)

GK Nick Bazan of Council 10872 undergoing chemo treatments (November 2018)

Nicky St Cyr wife of past Brother Bob St Cyr recovering from a fall (November 2018)

Brother David Behen who suffered a stroke and will require surgery (November 2018)

Rose DeForke sister-in-law of SK Jim Ledwig, cancer (October 2018)

Kimberly Conon, sister of Brother Eric Salley, back problems (October 2018)
Sharon Hodel, daughter of Brother Frank Hodel, cancer (October 2018)
Brother Terry Bitowf who is battling cancer (September 2018)
Phil Pekata friend of Brother Fred Heberle who was hospitalized with a serious motorcycle injury (September 2018)
Betty McHenry wife of PGK Dan McHenry scheduled for major back surgery (September 2018)
Brother Ed Lucy, illness (September 2018)
Jenny Hoelscher wife of Brother Stewart Hoelscher, illness (September 2018)
Chris Bennett, a relative of SK Brandon Schambach who is recovering from cancer surgery (September 2018)
Susan Nash wife of Brother Dick Nash who fell and broke her leg (September 2018)
Gregory Farris, Mike and Alberta Curtin's one-year old grandson has developed an allergy to peanuts and for his mother, Amy, who has heart issues (August 2018)
Mike Sechelski, friend of SKs Mike Curtin and Chuck Keese has been hospitalized for a serious illness (August 2018)
Deanna Bashinski wife of SK Casmer Bashinski, recovering from a fall (August 2018)
Brother Frank Hodel health (July 2018)
Leta Johnson, grandmother of Brother Grady Johnson eye problem (July 2018)
Santos Ramos relative of SK John Pachecano, will be undergoing dialysis (July 2018)
Debbie Biesenbach, sister of Brother Mark Hefferly, illness (July 2018)
Brother George Adams – Health (June 2018)
Brian Balmes, son of Brother Fred Balmes, recovering from cancer surgery (June 2018)
Brother Jim Arnold, recovering from back surgery (June 2018)
Emily Uselman, wife of Brother Chase Uselman, issue with pregnancy (June 2018)
Brother Tom and Karen Kurland, Health (May 2018)
Cathy Carazza, wife of Deacon Dennis Carazza recovering from neck surgery (May 2018)
Berniece Seymour mother-in-law of Brother Robert Reisenauer, pneumonia (May 2018)
Renee Neville wife of Brother Robert Neville (May 2018)
Nancy McCoy, health (May 2018)
Nathan "Nate" Bellamy, 11-year old grandson of Larry and Sandy Hawkins was diagnosed with diabetes (April 2018)
Christian LaBoda, son of SK Rich LaBoda (April 2018)
Geoff Curtin, brother of SK Mike Curtin, diagnosed with cancer (April 2018)
Ann Thesing, sister-in-law of SK Mike Gleason who is recovering from fracturing both wrist (April 2018)
Maryellen Silva, daughter of Brother Richard Nash in ICU and battling a severe infection (March 2018)
Richie Spurlock, son of SK Brad Spurlock and brother of Brother Danny Spurlock (March 2018)
Butch White, son of SK Walter and Gerry White, internal bleeding (March 2018)
Jessica Cabllero, relative of Brother Jose Parra (March 2018)
SK Dennis Pomonis health problems (March 2018)
Laura Davis wife of Brother Ron Davis Jr. – Cancer (October 2017)

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Our Catholic Church for repentance, renewal and rebuilding during this trying time
Our parish priest and deacons
Our Bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians for strength and wisdom
Pope Francis
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Our Men and Women serving in the Military
Our Country and Religious Liberty

We also remember our Brother Knights and Family Members that have died:

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed; through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace in company with Christ and may they rejoice in your Kingdom. AMEN

Brother Knights:

Brother Terence Bitowf

Clarence Mendel (January 2019)

SK Jim Lowney (December 2018)

SK Bill W. Collins a member of St Anthony of Padua Council 12327 (December 2018)

SK James Mullally, Conroe Council (June 2018)

SK Ray Wert (May 2017)

Family / Friends

Victor Sabala, Luis Nieto son's father-in-law (February 2019)

Joyce Becker sister of Brother Alex Chaney

Jacinta Njoku sister of Brother Emmanuel Njoku (February 2019)

Lovenia Lazare mother of Brother Leonard Lazare

Joe Donahue, parishioner of Sts. Simon & Jude (February 2019)

Frances Dancsak, mother of Brother David Dancsak (January 2019)

Kenneth A. Goss, friend of Brother Tim Wilson (January 2019)

Greg Hershner, nephew of Brother Mike Effler (January 2019)

Charles (Jake) Lockbaum, uncle of Brother Tim Wilson (December 2018)

Ian O'Donohue, brother of Brother Terry O'Donohue (December 2018)

Mary Hodel wife of Brother Frank who passed away in December 1997

Nicholas Peter Recchi II of Berwyn, PA. is the father of Brother Tim Wilson's brother-in-law (October 2018)

Jerry Hodges a friend of SK Rich LaBoda (September 2018)

Aurora Perez mother-in-law of SK Mark Votsmier (September 2018)

Hewitt Clarke father-in-law of Richard Clausen, son of Brother George Clausen (September 2018)

Juan Aguilera brother of Susan Aguilera (SSJ Registrar) (August 2018)

Shawna Kent wife of SK David Polasek's coworker (August 2018)

SK George Varosky, brother of Brother Ed Varosky (August 2018)

Rita Votsmier, mother of SK Mark Votsmier (July 2018)

Eileen Cosgrove, mother in law of Brother Dennis Kozak (July 2018)

Peggy Johnson Seigle, mother of SK J.D. Siegle (June 2018)

Steven Brooks, grandson of PGK Dan McHenry (June 2018)

Mary Klekar, wife of Brother Michael Klekar (May 2018)

Quay Nicklow father of Brother Mike Nicklow (May 2018)

Barbara Flynn wife of Retired SSJ Deacon Bob Flynn (April 2018)

Nunzo Lepore relative of Brother Rich LaBoda -(May 2018)



**Lenten Fridays Beginning March 8 -
April 11th - Sts. Simon & Jude Fish Fry
helping Men's Club cook @ 4:00 PM**



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Robert		Brennan	3/1/1934
Stephen	D	Bussiere	3/14/1953
William		Christiansen	3/8/1949
Alexander		Cupial	3/25/1995
Michael	R	Curtin	3/28/1949
David	J	Dancsak	3/10/1966
Theodore	A	Dematteo	3/28/1955
Steven	P	Fielder	3/21/1952
Francis	R	Hodel	3/9/1939
William	G	Janacek	3/25/1947
John	H	Lacey	3/4/1941
James	A	Ledwig	3/30/1953
James	R	Linden	3/26/1971
Edmund	E	Lucy	3/2/1955
James	B	Mc Cormick	3/13/1968
Manuel	E	Melchor	3/21/1966
Norbert	B	Narvacan	3/11/1967
David	M	Novotny	3/2/1950
John		Pachecano	3/5/1967
Victor		Palermo	3/24/1948
David	A	Polasek	3/26/1948
Glendon	M	Schmidt	3/19/1943
William	E	Schultz	3/6/1958
Herbert	W	Sommer	3/23/1940
Thomas	J	Zievert	3/12/1941

COUNCIL AWARDS

2018

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

June-----2018 Eric and Linda Salley
 December--2018 Bill and Bridget Moeller

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

January 2018 Jay Kemper
 February 2018 Mickey Manore
 March 2018 Jim Ledwig
 April 2018 Larry Hawkins
 May 2018 Bill Moeller
 June 2018 Council Cooking Crew
 July 2018 Ken Scales
 August 2018 Casmer Bashinski
 September 2018 John Tatman
 October 2018 Eric Salley
 November 2018 Robert Perrotta
 December 2018 Mike Curtin
 January 2019 Brad Spurlock



FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Frederick and Kimberly Sunderman

KNIGHT OF THE YEAR

Ted DeMatteo



Supreme Knight Carl Anderson joined the Sixty-Ninth Infantry Regiment of the United States Army — "the Fighting 69th" or "the Irish Brigade" — for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York City, March 16.





2019 Calendar of Events

Saturday March 29 & 30th - Feed My Starving Children assemble food packages @ Sts Simon & Jude

Sunday March 31st - Corporate Communion - SSJ @ 9:30AM

Saturday & Sunday April 6 & 7 Old Town Spring Wine Festival

Tuesday April 9th - SSJ "Ignite" Archdiocesan capital campaign reception @ 6:00PM, need help hosting event

Saturday & Sunday April 27 & 28th - Old Town Spring Crawfish Festival

Thursday May 9th, Council Business Meeting & elections

Sunday May 12th, Trip to Michael DeBakey V.A. Hospital

Thursday June 27th, Family Dinner & Installation of Officers

Sunday June 30th - Corporate Communion - SJA @ 9AM

Sunday October 6th - Family Picnic (Tentative)

Wednesday November 6th - Memorial Mass for Deceased Brothers, SSJ @ 7PM

Sunday December 8th - Council Christmas Party



Charity – Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” Members of the Knights of Columbus show **love for their neighbors** by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at **Special Olympics**, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who **choose life** for their babies. Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together...we support one another.

Fraternity –Venerable Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely. The Order’s top-rated **insurance program** continues to do this today, as do the good works of individual Knights, who gave more than 75.6 million service hours in 2017, illustrating how Catholics serve each other in fraternity and mercy.

Patriotism –Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it’s in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

Everyone has a story.

Our council's newsletter should resonate with ideas and stories that are important to share with our brothers and others in our community. As the editor, I can help you publish and share your story.

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