



Knight News

Mother Seton Council 6724



March 2017

Nativity Catholic Church

Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

As we have just completed our Annual Memorial Mass, as well as said good bye to our Brother Vinnie Mallen who went to walk with the Lord, it is a good time for us to examine our own mortality. As you know, the Knights of Columbus was founded to take care of our Brother's families when that Brother passes away. While we focus a lot on our charity that the Knights do, we do not spend nearly enough time remembering that charity not only begins at home, but it is our responsibility to ensure that our family is taken care of in the case of our untimely demise.

The Knights of Columbus is well equipped to help with whatever life insurance needs you or your family members may need. From whole or term life, to disability insurance, to long term care, the Knights have a program that can fit your needs. Please do some soul searching and praying on what the needs are for your family and be prepared.

As it is said in the first degree, being an insurance member in the order is not mandatory, but death will come to each of us, we do not know when, or how but it is inevitable. Please be prepared to take care of your family when you are gone. Do not let the opportunity the Knights afford you pass you by. Contact our insurance agent and go over what is available to you.

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori.
Vivat Jesus,
Chris McManus
Grand Knight 6724

Nativity Outreach



Dear Knights.

The volunteers of Nativity Outreach would like to thank you for your generous contribution. Your donation will help our efforts to feed the homeless and families in our community.

Because of organizations like yours, we continue to be able to meet the needs of other churches, ministries, and agencies that help children, homeless veterans, and abused men and women.

We have enclosed a brochure that further explains what we do, who we are, and where we are today with Outreach. We welcome any and all of you to pay our Pantry and Food Bank a visit to see how we work or maybe to volunteer!

Again, thank you for your donation. We continue our efforts because of you.

Sincerely,

Sue Hrabusa and the Volunteers of Nativity Outreach

Veterans



There are veterans that are not as fortunate as some of us.

Their daily lives are filled with loneliness or a battle to survive. We find these veterans in the VA hospital or

nursing home, or worse yet, on the streets. Some families of veterans are also facing hardships.

We can help ease some of the veteran's burdens by making small donations of personal items and food items. These donations are accepted at every Council business meeting. Following are some suggestions for donations.

Personal items: deodorant, tooth brush, tooth paste, disposable razor, shampoo, soap, comb/brush, new socks, disposable diapers, baby wipes, baby powder, paper plates, cups, napkins, toilet paper and paper towels.

Food items: canned fruit, soups, broth, tuna, vegetables, meat/beef, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti/pasta, crackers/cookies, cereals (hot or cold), macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, jams/jelly.

Donations can be left on the table near our storage closet. Thank you in advance from our Veterans.

After Mass Coffee and Donut Duty

On Sunday, March 26, Mother Seton Council will support our parish by serving coffee and donuts. Help is needed beginning at 7:00am with set-up and serving after each mass. After serving for the



10:30am mass, help will be needed with clean-up.

This is an excellent opportunity to

donate some service hours if you have not been able to participate in other Council functions. Keep a look out for an Evite closer to the date and please reply to it.

Venerable Father McGivney

Priesthood

Lacking funds and concerned about his family, McGivney went home for his father's funeral and lingered awhile in Waterbury. Then, at the request of the bishop of Hartford, he entered St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Md. After four years of study, on December 22, 1877, he was ordained in Baltimore's historic Cathedral of the Assumption

by Archbishop (later Cardinal) James Gibbons. A few days later, with his widowed mother present, he offered his first Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in Waterbury.



Father McGivney began his priestly ministry on Christmas Day in 1877 as curate of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, the

city's first parish. The original Church of St. Mary's was destroyed by fire and so a new stone church had been built on Hillhouse Avenue, one of New Haven's finest residential streets. However, since Catholics were not liked, to say the least, there was neighborhood objection to the Catholic Church which even the *New York Times* noted in 1879, under the headline: "How An Aristocratic Avenue Was Blemished By A Roman Church Edifice." So, Father McGivney's priestly ministry in New Haven began with tension and defensiveness among the working-class Irish families he served.

One of the responsibilities of St. Mary's priests was pastoral care of inmates in the city jail. In a notable case, a 21-year-old Irishman, while drunk, shot and killed a police officer. James (Chip) Smith was tried for first-degree murder in 1881, convicted and sentenced to be hanged. Father McGivney visited him daily.



After a special Mass on the day of execution, the priest's grief was intense. The young offender comforted him: "Father, your saintly ministrations have enabled me to meet death without a tremor. Do not fear for me, I must not

break down now."

Father McGivney worked closely with the young people of St. Mary's parish, holding catechism classes and organizing a total abstinence society to

fight alcoholism. In 1881 he began to explore, with various laymen, the idea of a Catholic fraternal benefit society. In an era when parish clubs and fraternal societies had wide popular appeal, the young priest felt there should be some way to strengthen religious faith and at the same time provide for the financial needs of families overwhelmed by illness or death of the breadwinner.

He discussed this concept with Bishop Lawrence McMahon of Hartford, and received his approval. He traveled to Boston to talk with the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, and traveled to Brooklyn to consult the Catholic Benevolent Legion. He met with other priests of the diocese. Wherever he could, he sought information that would help the Catholic laymen to organize themselves into a benefit society.

Amazon.com Fundraiser

Our Council now has the opportunity to receive commissions on all purchases made on Amazon.com when purchases are made using the Amazon link on our Council website.



By clicking on our Council link you will find that your Amazon account is the same, the products are all the same, the prices are all the same, and the discounts and benefits are all the same. Nothing is different except that some of the money from those purchases will go to our Council. It's really just that simple.

Insurance Corner

Insure Your Life for Life

What is it?

Permanent life insurance is our signature product. It provides money to your family when you die, and builds cash value while you live. It's guaranteed. It's secure. It's dynamic.

Who needs it?

Permanent life insurance is a great way to provide security for your family. It may be an ideal solution for people who are interested in:

- Providing money for final expenses so your family doesn't have to.
- Replacing income so that your family's financial life doesn't have to change in case you pass away suddenly.
- Providing college funds for your children in case of an untimely death.
- Protecting your spouse from the burden of a mortgage in the event of the unexpected.
- Giving a donation to a charity or special interest.
- Supplementing an estate or mitigating estate taxes.

How does it work?

Permanent life insurance – like all life insurance – is designed primarily to provide money (also known as a death benefit) to your designated beneficiary when you pass away – guaranteed.

All Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance policies (with the exception of Graded Premium – see below) have premiums that are guaranteed not to increase, so you won't have to worry about any surprises.

Our permanent life insurance policies also accrue cash value over time. Should the policy be eligible for any dividends (which are not guaranteed), you can also elect to put those proceeds back into your policy by purchasing additional paid-up insurance. Additional paid-up insurance increases your policy's death benefit and cash value. Your policy's cash value can be used as cash, either through a partial loan or a full surrender of the policy*, or as collateral.

What options do I have?

Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance products are flexible to fit your needs.

Product Options:

- Single Premium Whole Life – Secure protection and start your legacy with one, single payment.
- 10-Pay Life – Pay your premiums in just ten years, and your death benefit is guaranteed for life.
- 20-Pay Life – Pay your premiums in just twenty years, and your death benefit is guaranteed for life.
- Life Paid-Up at 65 – Pay your premiums until 65, so that you don't have to worry about additional expenses in retirement.
- Life Paid-Up at 100 – Pay level, guaranteed premiums until your 100th birthday.
- Graded Premium Whole Life – Enjoy lower premiums for your first few years to help you get started. Premiums will then gradually increase before leveling off.

The Knights of Columbus also offers several specialty products including: Discoverer – a unique blend of the best features of both permanent and term insurance; Graded Death Benefit – a guaranteed issue final expenses product; and Survivorship Universal Life – a second-to-die policy for couples, families, or business partners.

Beneficiary Options

You decide who you want your death benefit to go to: a spouse, children, family, a trust, or even charity. You can have more than one beneficiary, and can divide up the proceeds proportionally.

Additional Features and Benefits

There are a number of special features and benefits – often called riders – that are available on Knights of Columbus products, such as the spousal waiver of premium, which pays for your spouse's Knights of Columbus premiums when you pass away.

Please contact our field agent Joe DiSalvo to discuss any of your insurance needs.
 phone: 813-340-6614
 email: Joseph.DiSalvo@KofC.org

Prayer for the Sick

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Rick Silver

Tim Liff

Don Cseh

Rolan Labonte

James Clark

For the Soul of Vinnie Mallen

Brother Knights who have no one to pray for them

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviates our worry and our sick 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. Amen.

Officers

Grand Knight: Chris McManus

Deputy Grand Knight: Tim Kasprzyk

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Advocate: Howard Baum

1 year Trustee: Michael Goscinski

2 year Trustee: Tony Boes

3 year Trustee: Herb Swoope

Lecturer: Open

Upcoming Events

March 6 – Council Business Meeting 7:30pm

March 15 – Assembly 1850 Meeting

March 26 – Donut Duty

March 29 – Officer's Meeting