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**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1:
PLACEMENT OF CROSSES:**

For the first time we place crosses in front of St Mary Church to remember those killed by abortion. Come and help with this historic event. Meet at the Church after morning Mass, 8:30 AM See page 3

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1:

ADORATION: Adoration of the blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour from 6:30 until 9:00 PM. EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT FROM NOW ON!



SUNDAY OCTOBER 5: THE

LIFE CHAIN: The annual day to publicly show what you stand for. The annual LIFE CHAIN will be in New Lenox starting from 2:30 until 3:30 PM See the article page 5.



SUNDAY OCTOBER 5: LAST DAY TO ORDER CHARITY

BALL TICKETS. See Rich Ciancio to order your tickets to this great annual event of the Joliet Assembly. See the flyer on page 4

MONDAY OCTOBER 6: AS-

SEMBLY MEETING: The Assembly will meet at the Council 4400 hall at 7:30 PM. .Come and enjoy a steak at the steak fry starting at 5:30 PM.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 11:

ROAD CLEANUP: Come to the parish cemetery at 195th and Wolf Road at 9:00 AM to help with our "Adopt a Highway" volunteer duties. See Page 2



SATURDAY OCTOBER 11:

PUBLIC SQUARE RO-

SARY CRUSADE Come join the prayer rally and pray for our nation at 12:00 noon at the corner of Wolf Road and Front Street. See the Page 5



TUESDAY OCTOBER 14:

COUNCIL MEETING In the Parish Hall 7:00 PM.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20:

DEADLINE FOR BISHOP'S

BURSE TICKETS: The annual dinner for the Bishops given by the Joliet Chapter. See the back page for the details..

SATURDAY OCTOBER 25: THE

CHARITY BALL: The annual fund raising gala of the Joliet Assembly. Mass is at 4:30 pm (Honor Guard) at St Paul the Apostle Church, followed by a dinner dance. See page 4



TUESDAY OCTOBER 28: OF-

FICER MEETING: In the Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.

Roadside Cleanup



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**Saturday, October 11th
9am**

Meet at St Mary Cemetery

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED!

(Coffee, Water, Soda and Donuts)

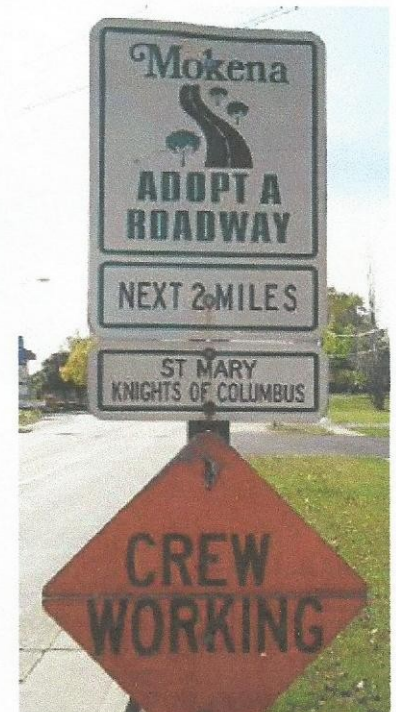
We need your support!

Please come out and join your fellow Knights in
our final road cleanup for this year.

Family members and friends are welcome!

Please visit our website for more details.

www.mokenaknights.org



So we can plan for refreshments, please let us know you want to help.

Either sign-up (see sign-up sheet) or contact:

Jeff Ryba 708-899-0366 jryba@braniffcommunications.com

PRO LIFE CROSSES

Our Council has about 230 white wooden crosses about two feet high that are used as pro life displays in October of each year to educate people about the sin of abortion. This year the crosses will be divided into two groups of about 115 each for displays at two churches: St Mary in Mokena and St George in Tinley Park. Members of our council will place the crosses at St Mary on October 1 at 8:30 AM (after morning Mass). Come and help!

The crosses were manufactured by Sir Knight John Hoffman and Sir Knight John O'Reilly about thirteen years ago. Over the years, we have placed them in many locations. This will be the first time they have been placed at St Mary in Mokena.

Vivat Jesus

NEW SIR KNIGHTS

The Northern Illinois District of the Fourth Degree held a special exemplification of new members on August 30. Two members of our council became "Sir Knights" at this gala event. Sir Knight Ron Stopka and Sir Knight Father John Lovitsch were honored along with about 115 other men. Ron Stopka has been a member of our council since 1960 and lives in Frankfort. Father John Lovitsch is our new Associate Pastor. Congratulations Sir Knights!



The Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

IN MEMORIAM

Recently two much loved relatives of our members returned to their God. We acknowledge the loss of these loved ones and pray that God will receive them into his heavenly home.

Frank E. Morrison

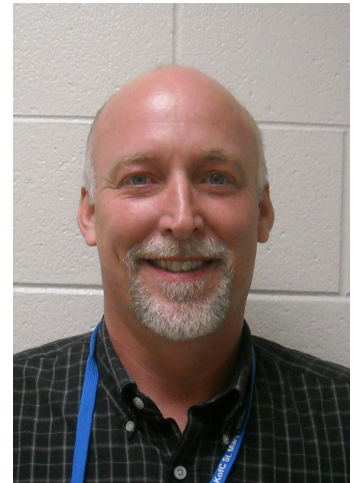
Frank was Tom Morrison's father. He passed from this life on August 9 and is buried in Resurrection Cemetery at Hillside.

Patricia Stopka

Patricia Stopka, wife of Sir Knight Ronald Stopka, died on September 5, a few days after Ron's exemplification into the Fourth Degree. She is buried in St Mary Cemetery, Mokena.

THIRD DEGREE

At the last council election, two knights were elected to council offices who had not yet been initiated into the Third Degree of the order. Recently, both went with Grand Knight Richard Ciancio, Membership Director Barry Cullum and Joe Sluis to a Major Degree ceremony in Joliet. Our new Third Degree Knights are Jeff Ryba and Tom Morrison. Congratulations brothers on having reached full knighthood in our order.



Jeff Ryba



Tom Morrison

Don't Forget

\$20,000 in CASH
20 PRIZES
1st PRIZE: \$10,000
65975

Please enter my name in the drawing. I do not wish to make a donation at this time.
DO NOT REMOVE COVER ABOVE THIS POINT

*Give to support our
Priests of Tomorrow*

Illinois State Council K of C Charities, Inc.
BENEFIT OF ILLINOIS
VOCATIONS SUPPORT PROGRAM
**Fund Drive Ends
November 28, 2014**
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The Charity Ball



Joliet Assembly #204 Fourth Degree



The 40th Annual Joliet Assembly Charity Ball and Dance, Saturday, October 25, 2014
All Joliet area knights and their friends are invited to attend. This event is open to all.
Tickets cost \$50.00 each



The Evening starts with 4:30 pm mass at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 18 N. Woodlawn Ave, Joliet. Then we will proceed to St. Georges Serbian Social Center, 310 Stryker Avenue, Joliet. Cocktails at 6:00 pm, (cash bar) dinner and program at 7:00 pm and dancing until 11pm.



All proceeds go to: ***Birthright of Joliet, Deaf Apostolate, and Catholic Charities.***



Dress is semi-formal, 4th degree members tuxedo if you wish.
Really great music provided by **Vincent DiFiore, "Mr. Smooth" and DJ Joe Zirconia**



Sit down meal of Prime Rib or Chicken Picata, Potato/Rice, vegetables, salad, roll, coffee and cake. **Tables of eight , Cash Bar**

SEE GRAND KNIGHT RICH CIANCIO FOR TICKETS BEFORE OCTOBER 5!

THE NEWMAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

For over fifty years the Knights of Columbus have sponsored Newman Centers at non-religious colleges and universities across the United States. At schools such as the University of Illinois, the Newman Center is a place where Catholics can find relief from the constant rattle of anti Christian talk on campus. They are an oasis in a pagan desert. At other schools, such as the Catholic colleges and universities in the Joliet Diocese, Newman programs provide Catholic support groups and other activities to help students maintain their faith and prayer life.

Some older knights in our order are proud of the fact that they have been "Century Donors" to the Newman Fund for many years. Those men started sending \$100 per year to the Newman fund when \$100 represented a lot more money and sacrifice than now. There are still some Century Donors among us with over fifty years membership as knights, you should honor them.

Please study the form on Page 6 of this newsletter and make a contribution to this wonderful Catholic program. The Newman Fund is the oldest and most important charity of the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus

OUR PUBLIC MINISTRY

When Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, care for widows and orphans was only part of the reason. In the late nineteenth century, Catholics were routinely attacked and needed defenders. Public ministry was an important part of our duty as knights, and it remains so today. Vivat Jesus

Public Witness

October is National Right to Life Month throughout the United States. The first Sunday of October is "Right to Life Sunday", this year October 5.

For over forty years, Christians have rallied along many roadsides with signs that say "Abortion is Murder", Pray for our Nation" and similar phrases. The rallies are well received by the public with a lot of "thumbs up" from mature adults and a few unpleasant remarks from the immature.

This years "Life Chain" rally will be held in New Lenox with people lining US 30 on both sides from Cedar Road westward. As usual, Joe Sluis will provide about 125 signs for use by the demonstrators.

The rally is from 2:30 PM until 3:30 PM. Park in the Harris Bank parking lot on the west side of the bank that is located on the corner of Cedar Rd. and US 30. Signs will be available at about 2:00 PM and will be collected after the event for next year.

Attendees at the rally come from various local churches. Some families bring their children along to hold more signs. The signs are not offensive and bring a great message to the world that abortion is wrong!

Public Prayer

St Mary Parish is sponsoring a "Public Square Rosary Rally" at 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 11. The rally will take place in the little park on the corner of Front Street and Wolf Road.

The Rally will be held to pray for our nation, which is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. The Rosary of His Most Holy Mother will be recited along with other prayers. Be there if you can.

The rally is organized by parishioner Kathy Boucher. To help or ask for more information, call her at (708) 479 1945.

Wheelchair Ramp

In response to a request from our Parish, Joe Sluis recently built a wheelchair ramp at a Mokena home. The ramp was installed in her home's garage for a woman who could not bring her badly injured husband home from the hospital without having the ramp. Grand Knight Rich Ciancio agreed that the council will pay for materials, which cost \$97.54

Brother Joe Kral donated five really nice aluminum hinged sills for the bottom edges of ramps, one of which finished this one very nicely. Four of the sills are still available for the future.

Teens 4 Life

One of the greatest events sponsored by the Knights of Columbus each year is the March for Life in Washington DC. The March is usually attended by about half a million Christians, mostly Catholic. More than half are young people. The Marches for Life are the largest civil rights demonstrations in history.

St Mary Church Youth Ministry has started a group called "Teens 4 Life" that will encourage our high school and college age youngsters to attend the March in 2015. This wonderful ministry needs our support. It costs \$340 per teen and \$435 per adult to go on the March with our diocesan buses. The parents of teenagers usually need financial help to send their teens.

The March is a wonderful and inspiring spiritual encounter. You should go if you can, but if you can't, write a generous check to the St Mary Youth Ministry and place it in an envelope in the collection basket. Your check will be earmarked for the Youth Ministry but will count as a contribution to the Church

The teens are also raising money with fund raisers. See page 7 for more info..



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Newman Campus Ministry Program

Worthy Newman Chairman:

You can count on me to continue to provide a "Home Parish" for our Catholic students away at school. Please accept my **Tax Deductible Donation** to help with the Newman Program. **The Charity year is from July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015**

- \$ 5.00 \$ 10.00 \$15.00 \$ 75.00 Other \$ _____
 \$ 25.00 "Quarter Century" (If you donate 1 payment for 4 consecutive years) (Receive Newman Pin)
 \$ 50.00 "Half Century" (If you donate 1 payment for 2 consecutive years) (Receive Newman Pin)
 \$ 100.00 Century Donor (receive a plaque and Pin)
 here if 1 - \$100.00 payment will be made in the **Charity year**
 here if 4 - \$25.00 payments will be made in the **Charity year**
 here if 2 - \$50.00 payments will be made in the **Charity year**
 \$ 1,000.00 Grand Century Donor \$ 5,000.00 Grand Century Patron

MAKE YOUR SELECTION

- Send Plaque/pin to Me Send Plaque/pin to my Council Do not send Plaque Do not send Pin

*** must be completed**

Name: * _____ (as shown on your card) Membership No. * _____

Address: * _____ Council No. * _____

City: * _____ St: * _____ Zip: * _____ - _____

Please make checks payable to: Illinois State Council K of C Charities Inc.
Mail to: PO Box 681, Kankakee, IL 60901-0681

(Note: Indicate "Newman Fund" in the memo line on the check)

CREDIT CARD DONATION INFORMATION

C/C Type	Visa	Card #	Exp. Date
	Master Card	Card #	

Passion – Pride - Performance

March for Life

January 19-23, 2015

Leave: Monday evening, January 19
Return: Friday morning, January 23

Registration Fee

Full Time Student (High School Freshman to College Senior/Quad occupancy)	\$340.00
Adult Participant (Double occupancy)	\$435.00

Price includes:

- Transportation by bus, lodging for two nights, and most meals
- Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- Youth Rally and Mass
- **42nd Annual March for Life**
- Celebratory dinner after the March
- Visiting monuments and museums in Washington, DC
- Wreath Laying at Arlington National Cemetery

Departure/Return Location:
Blanchette Catholic Center
Crest Hill, IL



Financial Aid Available
Forms are available at
www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life
DUE 11/14/2014

How can I register?

- On-Line at: <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life>
- Phone for details: Respect Life Ministry at (815) 221-6251

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Registration and \$100 non-refundable deposit due on Friday, November 14, 2014
- Completed Financial Aid Form due by Friday, November 14, 2014
- Final payment due by: Friday, December 5, 2014

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September 09, 2014

Worthy St. Mary-Mokena Council Members,

The 2014 Diocese of Joliet Chapter Bishop's Burse will be held on Saturday, November 01st. The event will be held at St. Mary Church in Mokena, IL. Mass will start at 5:00 P.M. with dinner to follow. As they have the last two years, all three of our Bishops are scheduled to celebrate the Mass and attend the dinner.

The dinner will be held in in the Church Hall immediately the after celebration of Mass.

The St. Mary-Mokena Council 6993 will pick-up half the cost of the dinner for you and one guest. Therefore the cost for the dinner will be \$17.50. (Limit Two per member at this price – regular price of \$35.00 per person for more than two). The dinner menu is still being planned.

All reservations must be received no later than Monday, October 20, 2014.

However, seating is **limited to the first 300 reservations received.** Once capacity is reached, no more reservations will be accepted. **Please submit as soon as possible.**

Gregory P. Quinn

President
Diocese of Joliet Chapter

DINNER RESERVATION FORM – St. Mary Mokena Council 6993

Bishop's Burse Dinner, November 01, 2014

Mass 05:00 PM Dinner 06:00 PM

No. of reservations _____ **@ \$17.50 ea Total Amount Due** _____

Checks made payable to: **St. Mary – Mokena Council 6993**

Names _____

(Include the names of all attending on the back of the form if necessary)

Send all reservations to:

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