



# Vermont Knights in Action



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism  
Vermont State Council  
Edition

September 2020

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## From the Vermont State Deputy

Brother Knights;

As I sit here writing this message, I am still in the recuperation mode from my recent kidney surgery. All went well according to the Doctor but am still moving a bit slow. It is ironic how, when we have an inordinate amount of time on our hands that it can seem like time is simply not moving. Time can be our best friend and, in some circumstances, our worst enemy! It is all in how we perceive time to be. For me, there were days (especially in the hospital) where it seemed like time was not on my side and the hours simply wore on and on. Once home, at first, it was as though time was once again my enemy.

However, after a few days, I began to embrace time; time for healing; time for me; and time to pray. Amazing how after just a few days, I would look forward to having time, especially to pray. Time is now on my side! Admittedly I am not back to my 100% self but am getting there day by day. I want to thank ALL of you for your thoughts, prayers, and get-well cards. It sure was uplifting to hear from many of you. Thank you!

**HOUSEKEEPING:** Once again, I need to give some of you Grand Knights a bit of a nudge for getting your forms in to the proper hands. There are still some Councils who have not submitted their form 185 – Council of Officers. Please take the five minutes needed to fill this out and send it in. Form 365 was due to Supreme by August 1<sup>st</sup> and there are still twenty Councils that have not submitted this form. Again, please take a few minutes along with your FS and get the form filled out and send it in. Don't forget to include Dennis Smith, our Forms Chair for a copy as well: [movillesmiths@comcast.net](mailto:movillesmiths@comcast.net)  
Thank you in advance for taking care of this.

**GRAND KNIGHTS WORKSHOP:** On Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> there is going to be an especially important meeting for all Grand Knights for the jurisdiction of Vermont. We will have Ken Latham and Tom Ciborski from Supreme here to facilitate this workshop. It is going to be held at the Champlain Valley Exposition, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (there is an elevator) from 9:00 AM till Noon. A light lunch will be offered. Social distancing will be in order and you are asked to wear a mask until you are seated. I am asking for an RSVP to this workshop so we can plan on the food. Please RSVP to Bill LaCroix at: [blacroix1@comcast.net](mailto:blacroix1@comcast.net)

**WEBSITE UPDATE:** According to our IPSD Tom Herbst, Jr., the website will be up and running by Labor Day! I will have our editor; Moe Noel send out a blurb so you will all know that it is up and running. Do not forget to send your notice of an event for your Council to Tom and to Moe. We WANT to know what your Councils are doing!

**ULTRASOUND UPATE:** To date we have raised \$39,620.77 towards our goal of \$50,000.00; we still NEED \$10,379.23! I ask your Council to consider helping us reach our goal if you have not done so yet. We are getting closer and closer. With your help we can accomplish this. Please consider a donation either personally for from your Council. Thank you!

**MEMBERSHIP:** As of this writing, we have welcomed eleven (11) new Knights into our Order. Congratulations to all of you “new” Knights! I recently received a communication from Robert Ennis at Supreme with an extraordinarily strong mandate that every Council needs to have an “exemplification” team in place as soon as possible. Remember that you can and can read the parts for this Degree and it only takes thirty minutes from start to finish. I am asking each Grand Knight to send me a copy of your exemplification team at your earliest convenience with a due date of October 1, 2020. As a Grand Knight, it is within your authority to “appoint” someone to this team.

**INTO THE BREECH:** As some of you know by now, Supreme has asked that each Council begin showing the Into the Breech Series, which was produced by Supreme. At each Council visit that I have made, I have asked the Grand Knight to make sure this will be done. Each video is but 10 – 12 minutes long and well worth the watch. If you have not done so yet please begin showing this series at your next monthly meeting.

**LEAVE NO NEIGHBOR BEHIND:** Once again, due to the pandemic of COVID-19, Supreme has asked that we be very aware of any needs within our Council's, our Parish, and our Community. Congratulations to Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay who has already put together a Blood Drive and has a second one scheduled for his Council in St. Albans!

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:** Philippians, Chapter 2, verses 12-18

*“So then, my dearly beloved, obedient as always to my urging, work with anxious concern to achieve your salvation, not only when I happen to be with you but all the more now that I am absent. It is God who, in his good will toward you, begets in you any measure of desire or achievement. In everything you do, act without grumbling or arguing: prove yourselves innocent and straightforward, children of God beyond reproach in the midst of a twisted and depraved generation – among who you shine like the stars in the sky while holding fast to the word of life. As I look to the day of Christ, you give me cause to boast that I did not run the race in vain or work to no purpose. Even if my life is to be poured out as a libation over the sacrificial service of your faith, I am glad of it and rejoice with all of you. May you be glad on the same score and rejoice with me!”*

What can we take from Paul’s letter to the Philippians? As Knights, we are in many ways working to achieve our salvation when this earthly journey is over. How easy it is for all of us to grumble and argue about the most mundane issues when there is so much more at hand. May we, as Knights continue (or at least strive to) to shine like the stars while holding fast to the word of life. It gives life our purpose and meaning. May we continue to find Christ in ALL those around us.

Long Live Jesus

Vivat Jesus

Steve Shover

State Deputy





## VERMONT KNIGHTS FOR LIFE 2020

The State Initiative to,

1. dedicate major pledges for the State Mobile Ultrasound Fund
2. bring awareness to our Catholic communities about the pro-life pregnancy centers and clinics in our state
3. take up the challenge to support the same pro-life pregnancy centers and clinics

([www.UbiPetrusVT.com/Knights4Life](http://www.UbiPetrusVT.com/Knights4Life))

### SEPTEMBER PRO-LIFE CENTER SNAPSHOT: CARENET, BARRE, VT

The first ultrasound machine used at CareNet Pregnancy Center of Central Vermont was purchased through the K. of C. ultrasound program. The center has since upgraded to a new machine, still carrying on with its mission: to empower women and men experiencing pregnancies to make an informed decision by offering God's love, factual information, and practical support. CareNet Pregnancy Center of Central Vermont is in its 27th year of helping people with unplanned pregnancies.

Website: <https://www.carenetvt.org/>

Additionally, Catholics may find the following article beneficial, about CareNet centers: <https://ubipetrusvt.com/knights4life/care-net-centers/>

### STATE MOBILE ULTRASOUND FUND: UPDATE

**The Mobile Ultrasound Fund drive is 78% to goal!**

It is exciting to think about the prospect of going shopping for a van, and getting the approval of the supreme council to make a purchase and outfit the van to receive the machine, paid for by Supreme!

([www.UbiPetrusVT.com/Knights4Life](http://www.UbiPetrusVT.com/Knights4Life))



**THESE 2020 FLYERS FROM  
THE STATE CHAPLAIN  
WILL INCLUDE**

**A NOTE FROM FR. NAPLES,  
SC**

**A SNAPSHOT OF THE MONTH:**

Each month, the contribution of the Knights of Columbus Councils to one of the pro-life pregnancy resources centers and clinics of our state will be presented.

**MONTHLY UPDATE ON THE  
STATE COUNCIL MOBILE ULTRASOUND FUND**

"After the state and/or local council raises 50% of the cost, the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council will provide the other 50% to complete funding for purchase of an ultrasound. Or, if the council raises 100% of the cost of a vehicle outfitted to serve as a mobile medical unit for a pregnancy center, the Supreme Council will provide 100% of the funds for an ultrasound machine to be used in that vehicle."

<https://www.kofc.org/what-we-do/facts-and-statistics/ultrasound-machine-fund>



# STATE SECRETARY'C CORNER

## JULY 2020

Brother Knights in the Vermont State Jurisdiction;

I hope and pray you and your families are all doing well. For many of us, we are bracing for the return to school in the next few weeks regarding Covid19 impacts, remote learning and all the challenges with having children in school during this pandemic. My wife Rose and I have constant worries with 1 kid returning to college this fall, 2 returning to the local Burlington schools, one 'kid' in LA... and one 'kid' working in a NYC Hospital. Our Faith and prayer life are more important than ever!

For my state secretary's report, I like to start off by thanking the 27 councils who have sent in both their 1<sup>st</sup> Half 2020 per capita and their charity assessment! Thank you!! We have another 11 councils that are still outstanding... so hopefully the 'check is in the mail'. : ) I have sent out the 2<sup>nd</sup> notices a few weeks ago (mid August) For my next report in September, I'll include those councils that have not paid or responded to their 1H2020 per capita/charity assessment. I realize that not all the councils regularly meet during the summer (which Supreme and our State Deputy hate to hear btw).

Secondly, on behalf of the Bishop DeGoesbriand Council 279 in Burlington, we have a date for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year Anchor Award!! It will be on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 9pm at the Delta Marriott in South Burlington. The same location as last fraternal year's Anchor Award Banquet. This is the Hotel with Trader Dukes in case anyone is familiar with that restaurant. Many more details to follow and the Grand Knight of 279 Dave Ely Sr. will include some info in his update. The cost per person will be \$40. Currently, with social distancing requirements, the Delta Hotel maximum banquet capacity is 75 people so please RVSP asap so we have an idea of the headcount. If you have any questions, please contact myself ([roseandjimmichael@gmail.com](mailto:roseandjimmichael@gmail.com)) or GK David Ely Sr. ([elyfamily6@aol.com](mailto:elyfamily6@aol.com)). We humbly request a RSVP. Again, details to follow including plated dinner offerings, guest speaker, etc.

A few councils have already begun to send in their 'Tootsie Roll' Charity Funds so thank you.

Also, my final thought is to keep encouraging councils to keep the State Officers informed of your events... We should have our State Web site up and running soon to allow input for council events, etc.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (State Secretary)

# Knights of Columbus Anchor Award

## Council 279 Burlington Vermont

Brother Knights,

Council 279 is proud to sponsor this year's Anchor Award. The Honoree is Michelle LaCroix, wife of DD#3 William LaCroix. The Banquet will be held on October 24, 2020 from 6:30 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. at the Delta Hotel on Williston Rd. South Burlington. Tickets are limited, so order your tickets early. Tickets are \$40.00 each and You can order your tickets from Grand Knight David Ely at [Elyfamily6@aol.com](mailto:Elyfamily6@aol.com) or phone 802-862-5109.

Vivat Jesus

David Ely, Grand Knight Council 279





Worthy Sir Knights,

It is September all ready, which means this will be my last newsletter as your District Master. It has truly been an honor and pure joy! I stand ready to give our next District Master 100% support and assistance and I ask you to do so as well. This Fraternal Year will not be an easy one but if we truly believe in our Order's motto, "Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism" and their deep-rooted meanings of each, WE can and will survive.

I hope many of you had the opportunity to observe the opening Mass and listen to our Supreme Knight's report on EWTN at the 138<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Convention via virtual August 4 and 5<sup>th</sup>. If not, you can read the report at [www.kofc.org/en/news-room/knightline/special-edition/week-of-august-10](http://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/knightline/special-edition/week-of-august-10). I was pleased to hear during the opening Mass of the Supreme Convention, Archbishop Leonard P. Blair of the Archdiocese of Hartford mention that Father McGivney's beatification Mass will take place on Oct. 31, 2020, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut. At that liturgical celebration, an apostolic letter from the Holy Father will be read along with the bestowing of the title "Blessed" on Father McGivney. This is the step just prior to sainthood. An additional miracle attributed to Father McGivney's intercession will be required for his canonization as a saint.

During the Supreme Knight's Annual Report during the convention, he mentioned the Supreme Convention's theme was ***Knights of Columbus: Knights of Fraternity***. He also mentioned in 2019, Knights donated more than \$187 million and volunteered more than 77 million hours, valued at more than \$1.9 billion. This is no small task and I know in those figures you, **4<sup>th</sup> Degree members**, played an important part alongside with your Council members. How appropriate since membership in the Knights of Columbus is not a casual commitment, it is a commitment to being a **brother**. This year, the Knights of Columbus reached a historic milestone: 2 million members but did you know only about 381,000 are Sir Knights. This equates to about 19.1%, we should be doing a lot better than that. Vermont currently has 1097 Sir Knights with this Fraternal Year Membership goal is 78 new members.

As the Order prepares, with great joy, to celebrate the beatification of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney on October 31 in the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, I ask you to take part in celebrating this GREAT day as well. Ask your Priest if he could dedicate the Holy Mass on October 31st to our Founder and the Knights of Columbus

I wish all Brothers and Sir Knights continued success as you strive to keep your council and assembly as active as possible despite the obstacles which may exist. I ask you to be a strong presence in your Councils and Assemblies, for both need your help. Be proud and honored to become part of the Assembly Honor Guard.

God Bless and continue reciting the rosary and pray for the well-being of our Nation.

Vivat Jesus!

George Piette

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# Fourth Degree Uniform Package

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**Blazer/Coat**

**Trousers**

**Tie**

**Beret with Badge**

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# Fourth Degree Uniform Package Replacement Items

**Item # Price**

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**Tie KOC-TIE \$34.50**

**Beret with Badge KOC-BT-##A \$24.50**

**Beret KOC-BT \$14.50**

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# Vocations (RSVP)

The Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our priests and religious. Through this program, council and parish families will raise funds to support seminarians in their area. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. **Though financial support is vitally important, it is not the only aspect of RSVP. Councils are also called to provide their “adopted” seminarian or religious aspirant with moral support and prayers for their success.**

Councils are required to provide financial support of at least \$500 for a minimum of one seminarian. Councils are also required to provide their “adopted” seminarian or religious aspirant with moral support and prayers for their success.

If your council is considering supporting a seminarian please contact me for information on a seminarian or seminarians to support. You can E-mail me at [gfbear44@yahoo.com](mailto:gfbear44@yahoo.com). Or call at 862-8581. Also if you have already given financial support to a seminarian for the year (July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021 please send me a copy of form 2863 (RSVP form) .

Conduct various events in your parish and community in order to reach your goal!

As a council, make a resolution to allocate a specific amount collected at various fundraisers for RSVP. In addition to financial support, councils are called to aid their “adopted” seminarian or postulant with moral and emotional support, and prayers for their vocation and vocations throughout the church. This is a central aspect of RSVP and must be fulfilled in order to satisfy the program requirements. Providing such support is easy and can be accomplished through a variety of efforts: At the end of each council meeting or event, take a moment to remember the seminarian you support. Send cards to your seminarian or postulate on major holidays (i.e., Easter, Christmas), etc. Ask the seminarian or postulate how your council can best assist him or her throughout the year.

Immediately after your program is finished, complete the [RSVP Report Form \(#2863\)](#) and submit them to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission and State Vocations Chairman to obtain credit for your program. Remember to retain copies for your council records. Proudly display your RSVP participation plaque in your parish or council hall and continue to add to it by participating every year!

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

K of C State Vocations Director



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Updated August 18, 2020



# 2020 Knights of Columbus Vermont State Golf Tournament



Hosted by Rutland Council 232  
*Donation and Hole Sponsorship Form*

- Event Location:** Proctor Pittsford Country Club - Friday October 2, 2020  
Pittsford, Vermont  
**Masks and Social Distancing Required**
- Event Time:** 9:00 - 12:30 Registration and Sign-In  
10:00 First Team Start, 10 Minute Team Start Intervals  
1:30 Last Team Start  
5:30 Winners Announced
- Dinner:** Bag Lunch: Redfield's Tavern at Proctor-Pittsford Country Club  
Pittsford, Vermont
- Hole Sponsorship:** \$125.00, payable by check made out to:  
*Knights of Columbus Council 232*  
*Please note that there may be more than one sponsor per hole.*

**Other Donations:** Items are needed for door prizes, closest to the pin, and other individual awards. Please send donations to the Edward Clark at the below address.

## Sponsor Information

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*To be listed on the sign for hole sponsors*

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
*City and State to be listed on the sign for hole sponsors*

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
*To be listed on the sign*

Each hole sponsor will have their business name, city, and phone number mounted on a sign and displayed at one of the holes at the course during the event. We ask that you write your choice of hole (if you have one), and we will try our best to see you at that hole, however hole selections are not guaranteed, and final selection may be by the Knights of Columbus to ensure even coverage of sponsored holes.

Email any logo or art or additional copy to: [eclark@nbfarchitects.com](mailto:eclark@nbfarchitects.com). Logos preferred in .jpg form.

**Mail completed forms with check to: Edward J. Clark c/o NBF Architects, 24 ½ Center Street, Suite 1, Rutland, Vermont 05701 by September 27<sup>th</sup> to be included.**





# 2020 Knights of Columbus Vermont State Golf Tournament

*Hosted by Rutland Council 232*



## **Proctor Pittsford Country Club** **Friday October 2, 2020**

### **18 Hole Captain and Crew Scramble Format – Assigned Tee Times**

**9:00 - 12:30:** Registration and Sign-In

**10:00:** First Team Start, 10 Minute Team Start Intervals

**1:30:** Last team start

**5:30:** Winners Announced On our Facebook Page

*In light of the current virus situation, Teams will be assigned a tee time, and play will continue until all teams are finished. At that time, winners will be determined and prizes announced. Meal will be a bag lunch picked up at the take out window.*

Play will be limited to 18 four person teams. Prizes to be awarded for:

***Low Score Team (\$400 prize) • 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team (\$300 prize)***

***Last Place Team (\$100)***

***• Closest to the Pin (\$50) • Longest Drive (\$50)***

***Also will have 50/50 raffle.***

**Dinner includes limited menu choices provided by Redfields Tavern.**

**Cost: \$400 per team of four, includes greens fees and two carts.**

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### **2020 Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament**

*Please reserve one foursome at \$400. Choose one meal from the list below for each player:*

Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:
Address	Address	Address	Address
Phone	Phone	Phone	Phone
Preferred Tee Time			
Meal Choice	Meal Choice	Meal Choice	Meal Choice

***Meal Choices: Reuben, Triple Decker Club (turkey, ham, roast beef), Redfields Burger (cheese? Bacon?), Steak Bomb, Fish Tacos (all meals come with chips or fries)***

Mail completed forms and fee to: Edward J. Clark, c/o N·B·F Architects, 24 ½ Center Street, Suite 1,  
Rutland, Vermont 05701 by September 27, 2020.

*All proceeds benefit Council 232 Charity Programs*

## ***Raising Awareness About Life Insurance***

Each September since 2003 has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of life insurance, its uses, its benefits, and its variations among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

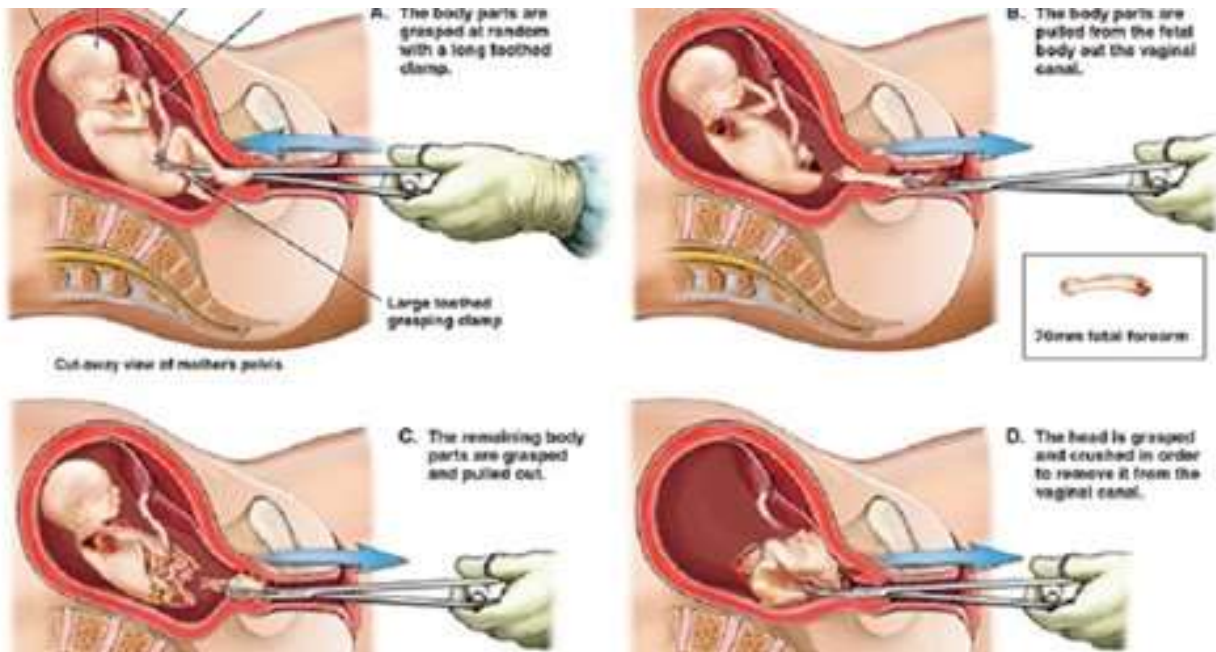
A recent survey found that a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I'll answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with me and you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family's future.

Dave Giuliani  
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Here's some happy news! **BREAKING: Nebraska Legislature Passes Bill Banning Dismemberment Abortions Tearing Off Babies' Limbs** ♡ ♡ Go Nebraska!





State Deputy Steve Shover and State Membership Director Ed Nuttall completed another round of visits for the month of August. (Note: Middlebury rescheduled)

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>COUNCIL</u>	<u>COUNCIL NAME</u>	<u>MEETING DATE</u>
4	7	642	MIDDLEBURY	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
5	2	421	ST JOHNSBURY	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday
6	8	6816	MANCHESTER	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
11	5	399	BARRE	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
13	5	1568	HARDWICK	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday



St Johnsbury Council 421



Manchester Council 6815



Hardwick Council 1568



Barre Council

September schedule is listed below

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>COUNCIL #</u>	<u>COUNCIL NAME</u>	<u>MEETING DATE</u>
1	5	2085	WATERBURY	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
2	9	810	FAIR HAVEN	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday
3	4	2946	ESSEX JUNCTION	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
8	4	7810	UNDERHILL	2 <sup>ND</sup> Tuesday
10	4	7389	COLCHESTER	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday
R	1	2610	RICHFORD	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday

**LETTER TO ST.MARK'S PARISHIONERS**  
**ST. MARKS 300 CLUB**

St. Mark's Parish and the Knights of Columbus DeGoesbriand Council #279 are planning a joint fundraising effort with net proceeds to be shared. Specifically the project is planned for fourteen drawings of \$500 each, for \$50 per ticket. All winning tickets will be re-entered into the remaining drawings. It is conceivable to win 14 times with one ticket. Only 300 tickets will be sold. The goal is to sell all 300 tickets to raise \$15,000. \$7,000 will be distributed in prizes and \$8,000 will be budgeted for projects of St. Marks and the Knights of Columbus. To make this a success, the first step is to sell all 300 tickets at \$50 each by September 1, 2020. If all tickets are not sold, then adjustments may be made to prize amounts. If you are interested in participating in this fundraiser, please complete the application attached. Tickets will be on sale starting in early June, 2020. Tickets will be sold using the application below, parking lot sales after weekend Masses, using application found in the July 4 edition of North Avenue News. The first drawing will take place on September 15, 2020. Drawings will continue on consecutive Tuesdays, through Dec. 15, 2020. Winners will be notified. The winner need not be present to win. Winners will be announced in the St Mark's bulletin. A list of all winners will be made available following the final drawing. This is a nice way to support both St Mark's Parish and the Knights of Columbus Council #279. St. Marks will put their share towards the Revitalization Campaign. The Knights will use theirs for Religious Vocations Scholarships and other Charities.

Thank you for supporting these projects that help both individuals and the community.

Dave Bean (for Fundraising Committee)

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ST. MARKS "300 CLUB" DRAWING

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (For future contact) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets @ \$50 each: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to "St. Mark Church" (with "300 Club" on the memo line of the check). Mail your order with payment to: St Mark Parish, 1251 North Avenue, Burlington, VT 05408. Ticket(s) will be mailed to you.

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## KNIIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #307 BENNINGTON, VERMONT



### Bennington Knights Turn up the Heat for Local School

When the coronavirus pandemic hit, Council #307 hit back with an act of service generations in the making. The council donated \$50,000 to the School of Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales in Bennington, where Knights have been educated since its founding in 1891. Council #307 was established only seven years later, and the two Catholic organizations have a long history of partnership and mutual support. Fr. Robert Wiseman, CSC, the school's pastor, said that the money would be earmarked to help encase the school's current furnace and provide a new one, a longstanding need that was made more urgent because of the strain put on the community by the COVID-19 pandemic. Members of the Council acknowledged that the gift did not just come from them – hundreds of Knights and members of the Bennington community gave money, time, and effort to build up a fund capable of serving the community in such a dramatic way.



*At right: GK Michael Daly presents the \$50,000 check to Fr. Robert Wiseman, CSC, Pastor of the School of Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales in Bennington and Pastor of Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales Church, and Fr. Hugh Cleary, Parochial Vicar of Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales Church and former Superior General of the Congregation of Holy Cross Priests and Brothers.*

*At left: School of Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales in Bennington. Council #307 also provides three \$1,000 scholarships annually to local high school graduates, among its other connections to its local schools. The Congregation of Holy Cross Priests and Brothers have offered continuous service to the Bennington area for over 60 years, and the Knights of Columbus had been serving Bennington for over 50 years before that.*





# July 4th Strawberry Shortcake: Drive-Thru Style



The Bishop Robert F. Joyce Council #10535 (St. Ambrose, Bristol) traditionally celebrates the 4th of July by selling their renowned strawberry shortcake on the park in Bristol as part of the Independence Day festivities. With the ongoing pandemic and the community celebration cancelled, the Knights decided to keep the tradition alive while resorting to a now-ubiquitous solution for restaurants: take out. With just a few weeks to prep, over 90 lbs of berries were picked and approx. 250 biscuits were baked in time for the noon serving time. By the time the clock struck 12 in Bristol center, cars were lined up around the park, looking for their annual fill of strawberry goodness. In the first 25 minutes, 95 servings were dished out and, by the time 3pm clean-up arrived, 218 servings had been distributed. Though not as large as a normal year, this fundraiser event is clearly looked upon by the community as a staple and the Bristol Knights are happy to continue on with the tradition!

## The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Mater Dei Parish Picnic

On Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup>, Gibbons Council 2285 together with Mater Dei Parish sponsored the annual picnic at St. Mary's in Newport. It was a beautiful day with wonderful memories as people came together for fellowship, food and fun. Due to state and diocesan guidelines, only 150 were allowed to attend. RSVP's were required along with masks and social distancing. The Knights cooked corn, hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken for the crowd. Wives and parishioners prepared salads, desserts and served the attendees. We also said farewell to our beloved Fr. Deniskingsley as he prepares for his new assignment in New Jersey.

TOP LEFT: The guest of honor, Fr. Deniskingsley is leaving Mater Dei Parish to become the pastor at St. Cecelia's Parish in Iselin, NJ.

TOP RIGHT: Knights cooking the corn on the cob, hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken



BOTTOM LEFT: Cupcakes anyone? BOTTOM RIGHT: Fr. Paul of St. Andre Bessette Parish joins the fun. Little did he know that he would be treated to driving an ATV after eating!!





# Fair Haven Council 810

Fair Haven Council 810 held it's Tootsie Roll Drive in early August. Complete with masks, social distancing and hand sanitizer. Special thanks to Sharon Wood and the Fair Haven Aubuchon for allowing us to set up outside their store after Shaw's Corporate decided not to allow our drive on their premises. pictures attached



Fair Haven Council presents Father Vincent Odoemenam S.D.V with a Certificate of Appreciation and a check for \$500.00. At his going away party. Fr. Vincent's new assignment is in Queens, NY





# Knight News

Council 297



## August ACTIVITY

**Cigarette Butt Litter Clean Up** in the St. Albans Industrial Park on August 5, 2020 (Wednesday). Project Leader was Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay. We had a total of 30 adult volunteers and one child (7 year old). As a team of 31 people, we picked up a little over 27,500 cigarette butts in two hours.

Thank you Lecturer Teddy Yandow, Trustee 1<sup>st</sup> Year Bill Bressette, and Recorder Jim McMillan for helping represent our Council 297.

Caption: From Left to right: Bill Bressette, Valdemar Garibay, and Sebastian Garibay



From Left to right: Bill Bressette, Valdemar Garibay, and Sebastian Garibay, Teddy Yandow



From Left to Right: Sebastian and Valdemar Garibay showing the amount of cigarette butts collected by 31 people in two hours.





## **Blood Drive at St. Mary's Parish Hall (St. Albans) on August 12, 2020.**

This event went very well. We collected 31 units, and two (2) were new donors. We look forward to doing more blood drives in the future. Thank you for both inside and outside guards for helping me (Gordon McRae and Bill Greenwood). Ladies of St. Anne Beatrice Coon helped as well.

Caption: From Left to Right: Gordon McRae, Bill Greenwood, and Bea Coon.



Valdemar Garibay working at registration      Gordon McRae working at the temperature check station

## **Cigarette Butt Litter Cleanup at St. Albans Town Bay on 8/12/2020.**

This was a great event that had a total of 27 volunteers. Gordon McRae and Valdemar Garibay represented Council 297.



Gordon McRae talking with Coordinator Amy Brewer.



4,256 cigarette butts collected by 27 volunteers.

KofC Council 297 helped at three (3) of the eight (8) cigarette butt litter clean-ups focusing in the St. Albans area from July to August '20. The entire team effort helped pick up 51,000 cigarette butts in those eight (8) events. That equates to a little over 2,500 packs of cigarettes

## Introduction of Officers at Holy Angels on 8/16/2020 after the 11 AM Mass.



: From Left to Right:

Recorder Jim McMillan, Inside Guard Gordon McRae, Trustee 3<sup>rd</sup> Year David Lavallee, Chaplain Monsignor Routhier, Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, Trustee 1<sup>st</sup> Year Bill Bressette, and Advocate Jim Shephard.

### St. Albans City Hall Blood Drive

Blood Program Leader: GK Valdemar Garibay

When: 9/18/2020 (Friday) from 11 AM to 4 PM

Help: Gordon will be helping with temperature checks. Bea Coon will be helping with registration. Bill Greenwood will be helping at our information booth. I appreciate the help and support.

Status: As of 8/15/2020, we have 5 out of 39 slots filled. This is a KofC sponsored event, **Please continue to spread the word.**





## MIDDLEBURY COUNCIL 642

Middlebury Council 642 awarded scholarships for graduating seniors to the sons of 2 members on Sunday 8/16.

This year's recipients were Peter Wolosinski and Danny Hodsden. Congratulations!

## *Feast Day of Our Lady of La Salette at La Salette Shrine Enfield NH*

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**



On Saturday, September 19, 1846, a beautiful clear autumn day, the Virgin Mary appeared to Maximin Giraud, age 11, and Melanie Mathieu, age 14 on a mountain near the town of La Salette, some 6,000 feet high in the French Alps. The two children had first met the day before while tending cows on the slopes.

Mary said to the children, "Come near, my children, don't be afraid. I am here to tell you great news." The message given to the children has become the foundation for the La Salette Order of Priests, Brothers, and Sisters. Mary also said, "Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people." And, according to Mary's wishes, that message continues to be shared by the La Salette Order throughout the world today.

Join as we make a pilgrimage to the New Hampshire shrine on the 174<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Virgin Mary's apparition in La Salette.

**Cost Per Person: \$149**

**Package includes** 18 and younger: **FREE**

- ❖ Transportation on Premier Motor Coach
- ❖ Visit to the Shrine
- ❖ Special Feast Day Mass & Celebration
- ❖ Dinner

6:00 am	St. Albans Hannaford exit 20
6:30 am	Milton/Colchester Park & Ride exit 17
6:50 am	Colchester Shaw's exit 16
7:30 am	Waterbury Shaw's exit 10
8:00 am	Berlin Park & Ride exit 7
8:30 am	Randolph Park & Ride exit 4

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# ST. JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL 10417

## MILTON

On August 26, 2020, 3 Milton knights (Richard Pepin, Scott Wise and Ed Malila) along with Bret Stankiewicz (a potential candidate) from the Milton Council installed 500 ft of roofing heat tape on 5 different roofs at the Carmelites Monastery in Lowell Vt. During the winter of 2018, the monastery had severe water damage (\$18K) and due to the roof construction the most practical and economical solution was the installation of heat tapes to prevent ice jams.

We had originally gotten a call in late October of 2019 and determine that heat tapes were the appropriate solution. In early November 2019, we installed 200 ft of heat tape to the roof that was most affected by the water damage. Winter was already upon them in the Lowell so that's all we could do at that time. Dan McAvinney from the Troy council provided a 40 ft ladder which was needed for one roofs.

The Carmelites are AWESOME and always provide us for special prayers with an excellent lunch. God is GREAT! Ed Malila



## STATE-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER FOR CLERGY

The state-wide day of prayer for Clergy is scheduled for November 7, 2020 and while that may seem like a long time away, now is the time to commit to your hour slot and notify your council and your Chapin of the date/time. Brother Patrick from council 7525 is coordinating this for our state and you can connect with him ([pleducvt@gmail.com](mailto:pleducvt@gmail.com) or 598-4246) with questions and to sign up for your council's hour. He'll also be emailing all Grand Knights in the coming weeks with more detail.

Each council is asked to sign up for an hour of prayer on November 7th in support of our Clergy. Each council can manage their hour of prayer in any way they see fit. An hour of silent vigil, an hour of rosary followed by open prayer and meditation, and hour of adoration, a mass, or something else you come up with as a council. You can conduct the hour of prayer any place you wish; council hall, Church, parish hall, or other location. Invite the parish community to join you. Invite wives, family, etc.

Again this year we hope to include a notice in the Chancery Bulletin that all your chaplain's will see. Let's get 100% participation in this meaningful and simple event!

Brother Patrick, working with our State Chaplin, will be providing you a current list of the clergy in the state of Vermont for you to use in your program or in the pre-designed program that you have the option to use. Look for that information soon.

Patrick LeDuc



**Michaud Council #2025 "Leave No Neighbor Behind"**

On Saturday, July 18, the Knights of Council 2025 as a project in the campaign to "Leave No Neighbor Behind" held a Food Drive to support The Haven's Food Shelf at The Co-Op Food Store, Maple Street, White River Junction. The Council was able to collect 275 pounds of food and cash donation of \$184.07. Also members of the community support Knights of Columbus drive Food Drive by sending checks to Haven directly totaling over \$200.00.





KNIIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #232

RUTLAND, VERMONT



## Rutland Knights Build Presence through Charity and Tradition



The Knights of Rutland Council #232 have a long and proud tradition of service to their community and support of their local churches. As the Council starts a new chapter after the sale of its longtime hall, these principles are more central – and more needed – than ever before.

The Council donated the proceeds of the tag sale of items from the hall, which came to over \$2,000, to the Rutland Community Cupboard, a local food shelf that has removed all restrictions on giving during the coronavirus pandemic. The executive director of the Rutland Community Cupboard, Rebekah Stephens, thanked the Knights for the gift and explained that she is seeing a huge influx of families needing assistance due to the current conditions. The Rutland Community Cupboard recently conducted a drive-through food distribution that provided food to over 450 families, and Council #232's timely donation aided considerably in the success of the event.



The Council has also set up a new display case in the basement of Christ the King Church, featuring items ranging from sports trophies from the 1890s to recent Council awards. Stationed by the main basement door, the Knights' display welcomes parishioners and establishes the Knights' place as the right arm of the Church.



Welcoming two new priests into the community, Fr. John Tokaz at St. Peter's and Fr. Steven Marchand at the Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community, is another way the Rutland Knights are building their presence. Council #232 presented both new priests with gift baskets with products and gift cards from local businesses. Both priests attended the next business meeting to thank the Council, building relationships for future projects.

*Top: GK Elijah LaChance and Thomas Barry, together with pastor of St. Peter's Church in Rutland, Fr. John Tokaz, present the check to the executive director of the Rutland Community Cupboard, Rebekah Stephens. Middle: The display at Christ the King Church contains accomplishments from the past and present of Council #232. Bottom: The assembly (clockwise from top left): Jim Candon, William Gower-Johnson, Thomas Carpenter, Bob Rauch, GK Elijah LaChance, and Thomas Barry.*

## **Campaign for the Intellectually Challenged People**

Brother Knights;

As we are now into September, I hope that you have scheduled your Campaign for the Intellectually Challenged People. At the end of this newsletter you will see the form that you should use when you submit your check to me. From there I will forward to our State Secretary for your contribution check. Below is the resolution .

### **SUPPORT FOR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES**

**WHEREAS**, the Vermont Knights of Columbus Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities receives money from councils who raise funds for said campaign; and

**WHEREAS**, councils who participate in the annual program, shall send a check to the Vermont Knights of Columbus Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman requesting that the net proceeds to be returned to the participating council in the form of a check made payable to their local charity, i.e. Special Olympics; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for participating councils to receive their local charity's check in a timely manner so that a banquet may be held in the local charity's honor, and the monies raised from the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities be handed over to said charity;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, all Councils and their Officers promote and enthusiastically make a commitment to support to the best of their ability the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities program; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, Councils shall hold their drives between the designated weekends in the months of June 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> notify the Chairman of the Program for the People with Intellectual Disabilities of their selected weekend; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, Councils which cannot hold their drive on the designated weekend, notify the Chairman of the Program for the People with Intellectual Disabilities of their selected date to be held by the end of June; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all proceeds be forwarded to the Chairman of the Program for People with Intellectual Disabilities and that the Chairman will return eighty percent (80%) of the proceeds after expenses for local council approved Intellectual Disability programs; and the 20% of the proceeds held by the State Council will be deposited in the Camp O'Hagan Fund; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all councils are encouraged to designate part of their 80% to be held by the State Council to be deposited in the Camp O'Hagan Fund; and



**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all proceeds be forwarded to the Chairman of the Program for People with Intellectual Disabilities and that the Chairman will return eighty percent (80%) of the proceeds after expenses for local council approved Intellectual Disability programs; and the 20% of the proceeds held by the State Council will be deposited in the Camp O'Hagan Fund; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all councils are encouraged to designate part of their 80% to be held by the State Council to be deposited in the Camp O'Hagan Fund; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that these monies shall be forwarded to the subordinate councils by a check made payable to the programs specified by the subordinate Councils. The subordinate Councils shall receive their monies as expeditiously as possible. Should the subordinate council not specify a program within 3 months of the receipt of the funds by the State Chairman; the State Chairman will forward the funds in the Council's name to the Camp O'Hagan Fund.

Stay safe

Vivat Jesus

Maurice f. Noel PSD/FDM

Chairman

## **Brother Knights**

**I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success.**

**I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members.**

**Send all articles to [noelmaurice2@gmail.com](mailto:noelmaurice2@gmail.com)**

**NEXT ISSUE WILL BE OCTOBER 1, 2020.**

# 2020 TOOTSIE ROLL PROGRAM

## PROGRAM CHAIRMAN RESULTS FORM

Please use this form when sending your check to the VT State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Council # \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Raised \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ (made out to K of C Vt State Council)

# \_\_\_\_\_ **Cases of Candy Received, # \_\_\_\_\_ Aprons Received.**

Charity Choice(s)

1 - \_\_\_\_\_

2 - \_\_\_\_\_

3 - \_\_\_\_\_

4 - \_\_\_\_\_

5 - \_\_\_\_\_

6 - \_\_\_\_\_

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# A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,  
O Holy Mother of God.  
In our needs, despise not our petitions,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

*Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis*