

Knights of Columbus

St. John's Council # 3738

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September 2016 Newsletter

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

First I need to congratulate several of our Council Members. Congratulations to Sir Knight Frank Rossi who was recently named Master of the Northern Illinois District 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. Also, congratulations to PGK Patrick Blaney who was recently ordained a deacon for the Diocese of Joliet. And last but not least, congratulations to our Knight of the Month for August, Mike Fumagalli and our Family of the Month for August, the Sobotka Family. All of these individuals are very involved with Council, Church and community activities and represent a very visible presence for Council 3738. We are proud of all of you for representing our Council and the Knights of Columbus well.

There are two important Feast Days in September: the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 8 and the Exaltation of the Cross on September 14. Also, our "Blue Mass" will be held on September 30 at Holy Trinity Church to honor our Westmont Police Department and all police personnel who work so hard to keep our community a safe place in which to live and raise our children.

In September we will begin our weekly Bingo at the Elks Lodge in Elmhurst. Also in September is the Tootsie Roll drive to raise money for individuals with Intellectual Disabilities. We will need your assistance to help us with these money raising projects for the Council. Our Reverse Raffle is coming up in October. We will need volunteers for this Council project as well. Your volunteer help with all of these fundraising projects would be greatly appreciated.

Once again I ask you to be proud of our Order, of being a member of Council 3738, and to work with us to make our Council great.

God Bless & Vivat Jesus!

Joe Moffa **Grand Knight**

2016-2017 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 | Konrad Miskowicz-Retz Jim Murawski Cliff Devitt |
| Guard Emeritus | Steve Dancik |
| Trustees | Bill Fumagalli (1 yr) Hank Anzelone (2 yr) Al Repak (3 yr) |
| Lecturer | Konrad Miskowicz-Retz |
| Council P.R. Director | Cliff Grammich, Jr. |

Weekly Bingo

We will begin to hold weekly Bingos at the **Elmhurst Elks Lodge** (711 W. St. Charles Road in Elmhurst. ~ just east of Villa Av.) very soon!

Our kick-off weekly *Bingo Sunday* will be on September 11th, an extremely busy day for our council! ***Volunteers needed!!*** Tentative plans are for Doors to open @ 11:30 AM, and Bingo games to run from Noon to 3 PM.

Meeting Dates

Council: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Officers: Last Wednesday @ 7 PM
4th Degree: *contact Tony Polito*

25 Club News

Thanks to all of the volunteers that help with this year's **Cruisin' Nights / Street Fair!** All of you that helped with set up, cooking, runners, bartenders, cashiers, guards and cleanup — your help was / is gratefully appreciated. The Thursdays were successful because of the donation of time on all of your behalf.

Our council's **Reverse Raffle & annual Chili Open Golf Outing** will both be in October, on consecutive days -- Friday October 14 & Saturday October 15. The raffle is our council's largest individual fund-raiser (not earmarked for charities) and is always a fun evening for all participants. The golf outing is typically the season's last hurrah, and is also a ton of fun -- start getting your foursomes together now!

Pro-Life Report

The following is excerpted from a recent communication from our brother Knight Bob LeMay (w/ the Bp. Fitzgerald Council @ St. Joseph in Downers Grove), who is coordinating the **40 Days for Life Downers Grove Fall 2016 Campaign** (more info at 40DaysforLife.com/downersgrove):

"(The) dates are set for the second half of Downers Grove's 8th year! The campaign starts on Wednesday, September 28, and will run through the Sunday prior to the elections, November 6. (There is also an opening rally on Sunday, September 25, at 3:00 pm outside the abortion clinic at 1700 W. 75th St. in Downers Grove, corner of Devereux & 75th.)

We (40 Days committee) hope that you will stick out the full 40 days with us, as during those last weeks leading up to (our national elections), our public witness will be all the more important! Any help you can give us to fill more hours — signing up for an additional time slot, inviting a friend to join us, spreading the word at church or to friends — will be greatly appreciated."

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13th Annual Reverse Raffle

\$5,000 Grand Prize

Consolation prizes are one \$50.00 prize for every 10 tickets sold
Friday, October 14th, 2016 from 6:00 - 10:00pm.

K. of C. Hall, 25 N. Cass Ave., Westmont

\$100.00 donation includes food & open bar

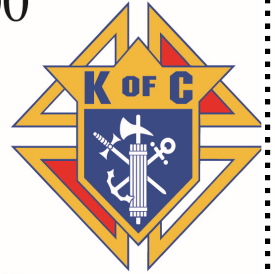
Additional tickets for food and open bar \$20.00

Maximum 150 tickets will be sold

Winner need not be present

For further information please contact any

KofC member or email KofC3738@gmail.com



Our 20TH Annual Chili Open golf outing

The annual Knights of Columbus Chili Open will be taking place on Saturday 10/15. This is one of our longest running annual events. The cost for this year will be the same as last year - \$35 per golfer. It includes 9 holes of golf @ Westmont National Country Club [aka Twin Lakes], a pull cart, (you can pay for gas carts in the clubhouse), beverage tickets, a participation goody bag, on-course contests. After golf, participants will meet at the KC Hall for chili, hot dogs and you can use your beverage tickets & participate in the raffle.

Hole sponsorships are available for \$50.00.



Please let us know if you will be joining us this year. We have tee times open from 1:00 until 2:45. If you have a time you would like to reserve, please let us know. Hope you can attend! There are spots still available, contact Rick rick_vath@yahoo.com.



**Bishop Conlon and Father Rafal Wasilewski
at Installation Mass for Fr. Rafal**



**Master-Designate Frank Rossi
& present Master Jack McCarthy**



Council News ~ Events

† Congratulations to PGK **Patrick Blaney**, who has completed his deaconate studies, along with **Tony Lenard**, who is also from Holy Trinity Parish . Both gentlemen were ordained on Saturday, **August 27th** at St. Raymond Nonnatus Cathedral in Joliet by Bishop Daniel Conlon as **Permanent Deacons**. On Sunday, **August 28th**, both Pat & Tony served as deacons, together, at their first Mass — the 11:30 AM Mass celebrated by Pastor Fr. Rafal Wasilewski, our Council Chaplain. Afterward, a large celebration took place at our Hall at 25 N. Cass Av. As both men enter into their new vocation, our council wishes them ‘Godspeed!’

† Congratulations to PGK, PFN **Frank Rossi** on his appointment to be the **new Master of the Northern Illinois District** of the Marquette Province Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree. SK Rossi succeeds SK Jack McCarthy in the role of Master on September 1st. St. John Council 3738 is proud to be Frank’s home council, & we wish him well in his new role! Kudos!

† Congratulations also to our brother Knight Rob Kaiser & his wife Stephanie on the birth of their son **James Joseph Kaiser**. James was born Tuesday evening August 16th. Both mother and son are home & doing well.

† Our Council’s **Ladies Auxiliary** will be hosting a **FALL BUNCO** on Friday, September 8th. Come Join Us for some FUN & LAUGHS. Please note, NEW starting time of 7 PM (earlier than recent past Buncos). Cost to Play = \$6 ~ Cash Prizes! ~ Cash Bar. And please bring an appetizer to share. BRING A FRIEND!

† Our next **St. John Council 3738 meeting** will take place on **September 13 @ 7:30 PM**, at the Hall.

† The next **Dooley Assembly 209 meeting** will take place on **September 14 @ 8 PM** at our own Hall, 25 N. Cass Av. Dinner will be served before the meeting, beg. @ 7 pm. A few helpers to assist in food preparation & serving will be needed. See Frank Rossi to volunteer.

† The Village of Westmont will hold its annual **Patriot Day Ceremony** (a 9/11 Remembrance Service) in observation of the Fifteenth Anniversary of that terrible day in 2001, at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, **September 11**, at the Fire/Police Facility, 500 North Cass Avenue. Or council’s fourth degree members will anchor a K.C. Honor Guard for this event ~ Sir Knights, please report by 1:00 PM.



Council News ~ Events (continued from previous page)

- † The **2016 Intellectual Disabilities (I.D.) Drive** is upon us! Volunteers are still needed for these dates:
- * **Sept. 10 + 11** (Sat + Sun) Sales outside Holy Trinity Church after the Masses
 - * **Sept. 16 + 17** (Fri + Sat) Sales on streets, at stores & at Cass Av. Metra station
 - * **Sept. 17 + 18** (Sat + Sun) Sales outside O.L.M.C. Darien after the Masses

† Council 3738 will host a **“Blue Mass”** for our Police on **Friday evening, Sept. 30, at Holy Trinity Church @ 7 PM**. Mass will be followed by desserts and coffee in Holy Family Hall. Come out and join us for Mass and let our local Police know how much we appreciate all that they do for us & our community! An Honor Guard is also needed for this event~ SKs, please report by 6:30 PM.



Chaplain's Message - by Deacon Tom Jagielo

Dear Brother Knights, A few words of wisdom from St. Catherine of Sienna:

Now is the acceptable time! Now is the time of salvation. – 2 Cor 6:2

Reflection: You no longer have the time that is past. Nor are you sure of the time that is to come. Hence all you do have is the present point in time and nothing more.

Prayer: Timeless Lord, teach me to be grateful for every moment of time that You allot to me. Grant that I may always make the best use of my time.

for the Good of the Order . . .

You are asked to please remember in your prayers the following individuals: Nancy Bodine (mother of Mike B.); Gene Brenner (fr. Council 9806 in Glen Ellyn, requested by Steve Gawron); Dan Chorney; Frank Joachim; Stephanie Kaiser & child (by husband / expectant father Rob Kaiser); Mary Jo Kemp (friend of Frank Rossi); Kathleen Moffa (sister-in-law of Joe M.); Dr. Craig Reckard; Jeanette Repak (stepmom of Al R.); Steve Turner (brother of Jim T.); Tom Wolinski (brother of Frank W.); and Rev. Marion Wroblewski, C.R.

And, please pray for the repose of the souls of Geoffrey Gnadt (friend of Thos. Dougherty); Joseph Kopack (long-time member of our council); Stephen Metty (brother of Dooley Assy. PFN Ron Metty); Vincent Pizzo (former member of our council); and Betty Rosenbaum (mother of Rev. Mark Rosenbaum, Pastor of St. John the Apostle Church, Villa Park.).



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS September 2016

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p><i>Sept. 11 is a very busy day for council 3738: in addition to the two activities shown below, our village is celebrating Patriot Day @ 1:30 pm at the Fire / Police station at 500 N Cass. Honor Guard is required / volunteers needed!</i></p> | | 6 | 7 | 8 The Nativity of the B.V.M | 9 Ladies Aux. FALL BUNCO @ Hall 7 PM | 10 Tootsie Roll Sales @ Holy Trinity after 4:30 PM Mass |
| 11 Tootsie Roll Sales @ H.T. after all Masses Bingo Kick-off @ Elmhurst Elks | 12 | 13 Council 3738 Meeting @ 7:30 pm | 14 Council 3738 hosts Dooley Assy. Mtg. @ 8 pm (7 pm dinner) | 15 Our Lady of Sorrows | 16 Tootsie Roll Sales on the streets, at stores and at the Cass Av. Metra Train | 17 Tootsie Roll Sales on the streets + at stores & after 5:30 PM Mass at OLMC |
| 18 Tootsie Roll Sales @ O.L. of Mt. Carmel after all three Masses Bingo - Elmhurst | 19 | 20 | 21 Council 3738's Fourth Degree Club Dinner & Mtg. | 22 Autumn Begins | 23 St. Pio of Pietrelcina | 24 |
| 25 40 Days for Life kickoff prayer serv. 3 pm Bingo @ Elks Club - Elmhurst | 26 | 27 St. Vincent de Paul | 28 40 Days for Life begins (runs thru 11/06) Officer Mtg. | 29 | 30 "BLUE MASS" 7 PM at Holy Trinity | October 01 |
| October 02 Bingo @ Elks Club - Elmhurst | October 03 | October 04 St. Francis of Assisi | October 05 | October 06 | October 07 Our Lady of the Rosary | October 08 |