

FEBRUARY 2020

# MONTHLY EVENTS

IL #4849 WWW.KOFC4849.NET	2/4/2020	60th Anniversary Pizza Party/ Benefits Night	Connor Hall 6pm-9pm	
	2/11/2020	New Degree Practice	Connor Hall 7:30pm-8:30pm	
	2/18/2020	Marquette Assembly Meeting	Riverview Banquets in Batavia 7pm	
	2/23/2020	Hospitality Sunday	After all Masses in Connor Hall	
	2/26/2020	Council Planning Meeting	Connor Hall 7:30pm-9:30pm	
	2/28/2020	Fish Fry	Connor Hall 4:30pm-6:00pm	
	3/21/2020	Blood Drive	Connor Hall 9am-1:00pm	
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# 4th Degree - Marquette Assembly #188

Meetings are held on the Third Tuesday of each month at Riverview Banquets, 1117 N Washington Ave, Batavia, IL Time: 7:00pm See Assembly web site for Color Corp training dates and times

<u>Check out our website at:</u>

www.marquetteassembly188.org

**Uniform and Supplies for Assembly** 

Legacy regalia is no longer allowed to be worn for the uniform. Regalia can be purchased at



https://kofcuniform.com/

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MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

# THE CURSILLO WEEKEND?

During the three days of the Cursillo weekend from Thursday evening to Sunday evening, people from all walks of life grow close to one another. Religious and lay people form a living, working Christian community to gain a deep awareness of the treasures and responsibility of their faith. The goal of the Cursillo weekend is to give those who make it a new understanding of Jesus Christ, the basic Christian truths, and the desire to serve the church.

The Cursillo weekend is a blend of seriousness, light heartedness, spiritual exercises, talks and discussions. The teachings of Christ are discussed within an atmosphere of joy and song. There are meditations and talks by priests and laymen, and everyone making the Cursillo weekend is urged to participate by taking notes, discussing, and even by making drawings that illustrate major points.

The Cursillo weekend ends at the close of the three days. However, the whole point of the Cursillo movement is that ordinary people can steadily grow in the love and service of God and man for the rest of their lives. Christian growth is not easy, but the Cursillo weekend provides a framework for it, both during the three days and afterwards. In the Post-Cursillo, emphasis is on maintaining a vibrant and growing Christian community, thus springs the apostolic action required to make ours a better world to live in.

For many, a Cursillo weekend is a new awakening to a deeper friendship with Christ.

# WEEKEND INFORMATION

For those Cursillistas who would love to come back and serve on a Cursillo weekend the Rockford Diocese holds weekends twice a year, once in the fall and spring for both men and women.

> All weekends are held at: St. Mary's Parish Community Center 881 North Mongan Drive Oregon, Illinois 61061

> > Men- April 16-19, 2020

Women-April 30-May 3, 2020

Below is a list of web sites that contain useful information for our members.

- www.kofc4849.net
- www.marguetteassembly188.org
- www.kofc.org
- www.illinoisknights.org
- @KofC4849 on Facebook
- www.holy-angels.org
- www.rockforddiocese.org

# **ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS**

Wednesdays starting after 8:00am Mass and ending before 8:00am Mass on Thursday morning. Check the book outside the chapel for open times or join others in this most blessed opportunity.

Contact Connie Webber, Call 630-892-4880

Cardinal Bellarmine Council 4849

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The publication will be monthly for the Cardinal Bellarmine Council. The deadline for an article submission is: 24th of the Month. Please send articles to:

# Grand Knight Line

Thanks to SK Dugan for providing the below information regarding the changes to our "Degree" program.

### 22) Why was the Ceremonial shortened and so much cut out?

After an extensive review of the prior ceremonials, all the verbiage that was not specifically related to teaching the important lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity was removed for a new script.

As a side note, never was a holistic approach to all Ceremonials reviewed together as a whole. Each prior change was a one-off change, one ceremonial at a time. Once all the redundancy was eliminated, along with the non-essential elements that did not specifically point to teaching our principles, left the true essence of the lesson. It is that lesson that truly imparts what a candidate needs to learn.

### 23) Why have these changes been made?

The average age of the ceremonials teams continues to climb. The ability to attract Conferring Offices is exponentially difficult. Councils are unwilling to put together a team to conduct the First or Admission Degree, even by reading. The use of the First Degree DVD now accounts for nearly 30% if the admission of all new members. Thus, to attract younger members all the changes have been made. The future of our Order depends upon growth, and growth can only be accomplished with the ability to invite, welcome, and accept new and younger members. **December 5, 2019** 

To grow as an Order, we must "urgently" increase our membership and especially the membership of younger members. To do this councils must rapidly adopt the Faith in Action programs and the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

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# RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

# **Building the Domestic Church**

And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. (Gospel for Jan. 5, Mt 2:9-12)

Whenever I meet a refugee, immigrant or traveler, I am reminded of things I take for granted. Those who come great distances to find something often draw our attention to the blessings we enjoy. Most of us are fortunate to have Jesus nearby, truly present in the tabernacle of our local church, but we take his close presence for granted all too easily. The Wise Men embarked on a difficult journey to encounter Jesus, but a five-minute drive can seem too far for us. May our daily familiarity with Jesus never result in indifference. May we instead, like the Wise Men, enter the Lord's house to do him homage.

# Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to take to heart the example of the Wise Men and go out of your way occasionally to visit the Blessed Sacrament in a local church. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action March for Life or Novena for Life programs or to personally support a local pro-life initiative.

## **Questions for Reflection:**

What daily opportunities do you have to encounter Christ? Because gratitude counters our tendency to take things for granted, how can you demonstrate daily gratitude in your life? Why is it important to visit Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, and have you benefited from this experience?

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	CARDINAL BEL	As we move forward the "degree" will be referred to as the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity We will be hosting a new combined cere- monial in early March. <u>www.illinoisknights.org</u>	COUNCIL APPAREL Golf Polo Shirt (No Pocket) \$36 Pocket Polo Shirt \$36 Long Sleeve Shirt \$39 Screenprint T-Shirt \$9 Contact: Ray Froehlich	
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