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Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes - August 2015

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State Deputy's Message - Sir Knight Ron Faust

My Dear Brother Knights

"The need has never been greater" were words uttered by Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant at this year's Supreme Convention. The wisdom of this good man is highly respected throughout our order. We would do well to listen to him.

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State Chaplain's Message - Very Reverend Richard M. Heilman



My Brother Knights,

St. Josemaria Escriva wrote: "What security should be ours in considering the mercy of the Lord! 'He has but to cry for redress, and I, the ever merciful, will listen to him' (Ex 22:27). It is an invitation, a promise that He will not fail to fulfill. 'Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, and we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need' (Heb 4:16). The enemies of our sanctification will be rendered powerless if the mercy of God goes before us. And if through our own fault and human weakness we should fall, the Lord comes to our aid and raises us up."

We have a Divine Physician Who desires to remove all of the spiritual blocks of sin and disobedience that inhibit the free flow of Divine Life into us. These blocks are like the plaque that can build up in arteries, restricting blood flow to the heart. St. Thomas Aquinas said: "In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Penance."

"The whole power of the Sacrament of Penance consists in restoring us to God's grace and joining us with Him in an intimate friendship" (Roman Catechism, II, V, 18). St. Augustine tells us: "This very moment I may, if I desire, become the friend of God." Indeed the Sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true "spiritual resurrection," restoration of the dignity and blessings of the life of the children of God, of which the most precious is friendship with God (Lk 15:32).

For those who partake in frequent Confession — at least once a month — they have come to understand the restorative and refreshing value of this practice. Pope John Paul II (who went to Confession weekly) taught: "It would be an illusion to seek after holiness, according to the vocation one has received from God, without partaking frequently of this sacrament of conversion and reconciliation. Those who go to Confession frequently, and do so with the desire to make progress, will notice the strides that they make in their spiritual lives."

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us! Go to Joseph!
Very Rev. Richard Heilman, V.F.

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(State Deputy continued) PSK Dechant spoke at our convention which featured the bishops of Ukraine, Syria and Iraq. He spoke of the intense persecution of Christians, especially in ISIS controlled regions, but also in many other parts of the world. Supreme Knight Anderson had earlier shared with us documented evidence that 80% of the religious persecution in the world today is directed against Christians. As alarming as that number is, the reports from the bishops brought it to a personal level. PSK Dechant pointed out that the response from the world community is by and large silence.

He told us that we live in a world where the beheading, crucifixion and raping of children are met with silence, and he urged us, as Knights, not to be silent. He urged us, among other things, to get behind our order's Holy Land Cross Fundraising Program. And he praised our order for taking the message to our culture with our Christians at Risk and drawing attention to the plight of the Christians in the Middle East.

The Knights of Wisconsin will not be silent. We will fully support our order's initiative. The Holy Land Cross Program can be and should be offered in every church where the pastor will allow it, and not just in our Catholic churches. If there ever was a time for us to reach out to all of our brothers and sisters in Christ, this is that time. And let us not ignore those of other faith traditions. If Christians can be persecuted for simply being Christian, then every community of any faith tradition is at risk.

There is no need for any of us to wait. We can all contribute right now at www.ChristiansatRisk.org or by sending checks or money orders payable to Knights of Columbus Charities at P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT 06509-1966. The memo portion should indicate that the check is for Christian Refugee relief. If you would be a leader, do this first and watch God bless your efforts to offer this opportunity to act to more people. Truly, they will know us by our works.

And now, my dear Brother Knights, I move on to another topic; but related. Our country is also largely silent to the killing of babies and the selling of their body parts. This disgusting barbarism does not awaken enough moral outrage to garner 60 votes in the Senate of the United States to remove public funding from Planned Parenthood. We are not even talking about banning Planned Parenthood here! Just stopping the funding with our tax dollars!

PSK Virgil Dechant decried that lack of moral clarity in our country today evidenced by that epic failure; but he also had an answer. That answer is to grow our order; and he told us how. It is simple. It is to return to our roots. Councils, he said, need to be closely integrated into parish life. Councils need to be relevant to their parish communities and to their parish priest in all matters of our faith. We need to be co-responsible for the life of our faith communities.

One of the keys to that is to help "Build the Domestic Church." I am convinced that when we focus on our timeless mission of building up men to be the spiritual leaders of their families that God intends them to be, our order will surely grow. To that end, it was reassuring to hear both St. Joseph and Eucharistic Adoration mentioned several times in this context by several different speakers. The Holy Spirit is moving and the Knights of Wisconsin are right where they need to be to respond. I know we will.

This work is being led for us by our State Chaplain and by our Faith Development Coordinator, Michael Raboine. You will hear more about all of this at our Diocesan meetings in September. I strongly encourage you to attend!

Lastly, in this extremely important work, let us not forget our brothers who have already joined our order. Take on the responsibility to reach out to them with a personal contact at least twice every year, once on their birthday and once on the anniversary of their becoming a Brother Knight. Each and every man who joins our order is important to us. Our actions need to bear witness to that fact if we are to have integrity when we invite new men to join us.

Vivat Jesus!

Be Not Afraid to Go To Joseph!



Ronald F Faust, State Deputy

Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, pray for us. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. Saint Joseph, pray for us.

May you always have love to share, health to spare, and friends that care.

What is the mission of the Knights of Columbus? The Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 to provide a means by which Catholic men could:

- **Support the Catholic Church,**
- **Provide financial protection to protect their families, and**
- **Engage in works of charity to benefit the less fortunate**

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Jonnie O says, "I Want You Recruiting 24/7/365!" - State Membership Director - Jon Olson

My brother knights,
We have started off slow in Wisconsin. We have recruited 3 more members than what we have suspended. Also unfortunately we still have an average of 2 members die a day in Wisconsin. So we finished our first month of the fraternal year with 73 less members than what we started with. We have our work cut out for us and I am confident we can increase our intake of new members by following our District Deputies guidance and have a first degree scheduled in our districts every month. With those scheduled first degrees we can always have a degree to bring a prospect and we can always have a monthly goal of a new member in each of our councils.

District Deputy Leaders by Diocese.

Remember you must be the top district in your diocese and over the 25% mark by September 30 to get the \$150 incentive. Here are the top 2 district by diocese. None of them are out of reach yet by you need to start now to stay in the hunt for the prize.

Green Bay:	Lacrosse:	Madison:	Milwaukee:	Superior:
District 8 with 12.20%	District 20 with 9.09%	District 43 with 14.43%	District 72 with 9.09%	District 83 with 8.00%
District 9 with 8.82%	District 21 with 9.09%	District 40 with 8.82%	District 69 with 5.00%	District 81 with 2.78%

Councils Leaders the in July

Here is a list of councils that recruited at least 25% of their goal in July. Congratulations to all these councils that have shown us all that you can recruit in July.

First New Council of the Fraternal Year,

Council	Town	Percent
16244	Greenville	75.00
10714	Green Bay	71.43
12269	Appleton	60.00
7096	Cashton	40.00
7342	Prescott	33.33
9360	Janesville	28.57
1133	Merrill	25.00
7319	Bruce	25.00
8108	Wilmot	25.00
12644	Fennimore	25.00

While some of us went on vacation, others went to work forming our newest council. Congratulations to Marathon City Council number 16280. A big thank you to all the hard work brother knights did to form this new council. Without brother knights like you, we would never have a shot of making our goals and Father McGivney's vision of a council in every parish.

In conclusion for this month, I would like to see all of you at the diocese meetings this coming month, Without your participation in these meetings, our councils would miss out on vital information and instruction on how our council should run and operate efficiently. If you have not already signed up for this meeting, please consider it.

Good luck to all of us in our recruitment efforts.
Jon Olson, State Membership

State Council Membership Recruitment Incentives -from State Deputy Ron Faust

2015 - 2016 Well Begun Incentives: (Well begun is half done!)

1) DD gets \$25 of Country Store Cash if they have a Scheduled 1st degree from July 2015 to November 2015 on their DD portal of the State Council UKnight 1st degree web site by July 1. This will be tracked by SA Jack Wrbanich through UKnight.

2) DDs will get an additional \$25 of Country Store Cash if they have submitted a 450 for each of those months to the forms@wikofc.com site by December 1 and the new members are listed by Supreme as of December 1.

Tracked by State Officer to the Diocese and State Membership Coordinator.

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Want more information? Call one of our Supreme Council Insurance General Agents serving the State of Wisconsin today:

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Ken Sosnowski (Southeastern WI): 262-242-3350

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State Program Coordinator - Bill Frayer

Brother Knights,

I've recently returned from a vacation trip to Cincinnati and Hilton Head which has left me refreshed and renewed as we move forward with our planning and programming for this new 2015-16 fraternal year. If you haven't already done so, August is the perfect time to hold an annual planning session with your officers and directors, prior to September and the Diocesan meetings. Now that you have your Fraternal Planners and materials/information from your District meetings, you can get your Council moving forward big time in the months ahead. Refreshed and renewed by the summer's activities/your own vacation experiences, you should be ready now to map out your programming for the months ahead. Review your programming for last year or the last several years. What worked well? What did not? What can we do better? How best to meet the needs of our parish, Council, community? How can we help grow our Order and make this nation/the World at large a better place? In so doing, consider your own local activities as well as State and Supreme programs. Try at least 1 new program every 6 months to keep your Council vibrant and relevant! Get new members and inactive members involved! Listen to their ideas. Consider both how to improve existing programs and starting something new. Perhaps an older, stale program needs to be replaced or put on hiatus for awhile! Don't fall into that trap of saying "We've never done that before; we don't do that here;" or "we've always done it that way before; we're not doing anything else!" As you plan, be sure to check the State and Supreme websites for information you'll need for many programs – old and new. Remember that your Diocesan Program Coordinators and I are always ready to address any questions or concerns you may have on programs and to assist you with starting/implementing them! Get you fall programs under way (Church Drives, Corporate Communion, PPK, Soccer, Culture of Life Essay Contest, Landing Day, Lifesavers for Life, Sentiments for Seminarians, etc.) It's not too early to start organizing your winter activities also – (Memorial Mass, Benefits Night, Keep Christ on Christmas, True Meaning of Christmas Posters, Light Up for Christ, Coats for Kids, Bowling Tournament, Food for Families, March for Life, Faith Formation programs, etc.). And, ongoing programs like Special Olympics, Global Wheelchairs, Habitat for Humanity, Ultrasound Project, Charity Raffle, Family of the Month, History Book need monthly or regular attention! Remember also that our State PPK/Soccer competition is scheduled tentatively for Saturday, October 31, 2015. Local and Diocesan Contests should be completed before October 25. For youth contests, strongly consider holding them on site where games are played that same day. Or, try to incorporate them into school classes like physical education. Consider also combining Councils to run an event or even an entire District! I look forward to seeing many of you at the Diocesan meetings in September. If you have questions, concerns, ideas; bring them up – I'll be happy to talk with you about them!

Vivat Jesus, Bill Frayer

A Special Message from the Supreme Council General Agents:

Think You Are Too Old for Coverage? Maybe Not

You are never too young or too old to consider purchasing life insurance. If you have a financial need for coverage, or will in the future, a permanent life insurance policy can be just the thing you need.

When you are young and presumably healthy, coverage will be very inexpensive when compared to purchasing the same policies when you are older.

If you've put off purchasing coverage, or you realize that you may need additional insurance, the Order may still be able to help you, even if other companies cannot. In fact, in 2012, the issue age of our permanent life insurance products was extended to age 80, and in 2014, the issue age of our term insurance was extended to age 70. Naturally, your health, and whether or not you smoke, will be taken into consideration, so underwriting standards for risk and age apply. But, the extensions are a great blessing for us – and it could be for you too. Now we can help members that we couldn't help before. Are you or one of your brother knights one of those members?

Whether you're 18 or 80, the Knights of Columbus has products that will work for you and your family. We look forward to discussing coverage with you.

Contact us today to learn more about our products.

Fraternally,

The Supreme Council Insurance General Agents serving the State of Wisconsin;

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We are excited to announce the appointment of Michael Roznowski as General Agent for Southwest Wisconsin, effective September 1, 2015. Michael comes from Illinois where he served as a Field Agent.



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Family of the Month Report

When good Christian, Catholic men are associated together many great things can become of their works. When these men become members of the Knights of Columbus, their works are multiplied across councils, across states, and across the whole United States. When these members remember why the Knights of Columbus was started by Father McGivney, they know why they joined the Knights of Columbus.

Since the Knights of Columbus was started for families, how important is the family in your council and in your community? Where would the Knights of Columbus be without families? Would or could the Knights of Columbus exist without families? How much time does your council spend on Families? How does your council recognize families and their good works in your community? How can your council help families become recognized for what they do? How can your council grow in membership, retain members, and grow in vitality with the help of your council's families?

Remember to keep Father McGivney's vision in perspective, and do what you as fathers, husbands, and children of God are good at, and take care of your families. Start the new fraternal year out right and begin gathering information for the Family of the Year nomination from your council. Continue to send in your Family of the month nominations each month to myself.

Remember that your council can have an enormous impact on your church, and local community, by supporting council families that are forming their lives, by living the word of Jesus Christ. These are the families that live their faith, by letting Jesus guide their thoughts and actions. There is one thing for certain, compassion is like a cold, and is very contagious. Let us all be contagious and show compassion to all those around us, so our communities and our country can become more compassionate. This is what we all need, compassion to our neighbors.

Larry Julson, State Family Coordinator

How to make a Charity Grant Request:

When submitting a Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Request Form to the State, a Knight must interview the individual/family and fill out the form completely. We get many forms which are incomplete which only delays the recipient receiving funds in a timely fashion.

The State Charity Request Form can be found on line at www.wikofc.com. If you have a problem locating this form, contact the State Charity Director. Use this updated form and discard any older forms you may have on file. Individuals in need should NEVER complete forms themselves, as Knights we help people! As stated on the Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Request Form.

"The Form must be filled out by a Knight of Columbus but the beneficiary need not be Knight of Columbus or a Catholic to be considered for a charitable donation from the Wisconsin State Council Charity Fund." If the beneficiary is a Brother Knight or a member of his family, the form must be filled out by another Brother Knight. This is quite sad as well as embarrassing that they had to plead their own case. This is the job of the Requester KNIGHT. The Grand Knight must sign the Charity Request Form.

Remember – We make a living by what we do. We make a life by what we give.

Mark Wagner State Charity Director



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We are the Church Militant. One of the three parts of the Catholic Church. The other two are, The Church Suffering and The Church Triumphant. The Church has always taught that while we live in this world we are at war with spiritual enemies, most clearly expressed by temptations and attacks that come from the world, the flesh and the devil.

The Church Militant Field Manual will test you in your resolve to become strong in the Lord and His mighty power. You will also learn the special operations (special ops), techniques and procedures for search and rescue missions of fallen comrades (family and friends whose faith has grown weak). Although rarely wielded by Catholics today, this supernatural strength and these techniques are truly authentic gifts of the Church that are field-tested and battle hardened.

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FOR THE LIFE IN CHRIST

FATHER RICHARD M. HEILMAN

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I am Our Lady of America. I desire that my children honor me, especially by the purity of their lives. ~The first words spoken by Our Lady of America, September 26, 1956

<http://www.ourladyofamerica.org/>

“For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the wicked rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens.”

Ephesians 6:12

5 “Truth Bombs” About Marriage from the Catechism

<http://www.churchpop.com/2015/06/25/5-truth-bombs-about-marriage-from-the-catechism/>

“The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring.” (1601)

“The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own proper laws. . . . God himself is the author of marriage.’ The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. (1603a)

“Since God created them man and woman, their mutual love becomes an image of the absolute and unfailing love with which God loves man . . . And this love which God blesses is intended to be fruitful and to be realized in the common work of watching over creation.” (1604)

“Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: ‘It is not good that the man should be alone.’ The woman, ‘flesh of his flesh,’ his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a ‘helpmate’; she thus represents God from whom comes our help.” (1605)
The experience [of evil all around and within us] makes itself felt in the relationships between man and woman. Their union has always been threatened by discord, a spirit of domination, infidelity, jealousy, and conflicts that can escalate into hatred and separation. To heal the wounds of sin, man and woman need the help of the grace that God in his infinite mercy never refuses them. (1606, 1608)

Holy Family Prayer Program

A new Knights of Columbus Holy Family Prayer Program centered on the Holy Family was launched August 5th at the 133rd Supreme Convention held in Philadelphia. The image is a copy of the original which features an etching of the Holy Family by the 18th-century artist Giovanni Balestra. At the end of the Wednesday morning Mass, State Deputies from each of the order’s seventy-four jurisdictions received a specially prepared framed image of the “Holy Family” for use in the prayer program. Presiding at the ceremony was Archbishop Chaput who inaugurated the Order’s new Holy Family Prayer Program, who prayed for God’s blessing upon the State Deputies as they prepared to take the image to their jurisdictions. Archbishop Chaput of Philadelphia, during his homily remarked on the theme of this prayer program; “We are called to love and serve one another and to see the gifts and talents of our family members as gifts from God that can enrich us all,” he said. “We must ask God to restore our families in love, and teach us to be more forgiving, and to cherish and nurture the unique gifts of others.” The initiative will begin with prayer for the success of the World Meeting of the Families as well as the Synod of Bishops on the family, which will take place in Rome in October.



This is real easy. You need only location and people. Grand Knights, appoint a person to contact your parish priest to introduce and promote a service. We would like to see each council host at least one service. Local councils are asked to sponsor prayer services in parish churches and other locations before sending the image to a neighboring council. Contact your District Deputy to schedule your Holy Family Prayer Program.

Each image will come in a specially designed carrying case, which will allow the image to be safely transported throughout the jurisdiction

Inside the case will be a log book for that image. Each time a council conducts a prayer service, the number of attendees should be noted in the log book.

Throughout the program, the Program Coordinator (Kevin Blau) will periodically ask for updates on the number of services and the number of attendees...these completed log books will be the only means to access that information.

A supply of Holy Family Prayer Books and Prayer Cards for each image will be provided. These will come in a sturdy plastic briefcase, again to allow safe transportation throughout the jurisdiction. Supreme has also post electronic versions of these books and cards to the Order’s web site at www.kofc.org. These supplies will not last the duration of the program, you’ll be able to order additional quantities at any time through our State Coordinator Kevin Blau... please allow about two weeks for delivery.

A supply of booklets and other initiatives encouraged by our State Deputy Ron Faust for the State of Wisconsin will be included with instructions with the image.

The list on the next page provide dates and Districts which will be hosting the icon in the Wisconsin Jurisdiction. Note the dates it will be in your district. Pray for a successful program in your council. Contact Coordinator Kevin Blau (608.697.9758 or 608.697.0364) email: blaufamily11@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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Schedule

Icon #1 Icon #2 Icon #3
October 4, 2015 through October 31, 2015

District 66 District 1

November 1, 2015 through December 5, 2015

District 65 District 2 District 90

December 6, 2015 through January 9, 2016

District 71 District 6 District 85

January 10, 2016 through February 6, 2016

District 64 District 3 District 86

February 7, 2016 through March 5, 2016

District 63 District 28 District 80

March 6, 2016 through April 9, 2016

District 70 District 27 District 91

April 10, 2016 through May 7, 2016

District 69 District 20 District 83

May 8, 2016 through June 4, 2016

District 68 District 44 District 87

June 5, 2016 through July 2, 2016

District 67 District 5 District 89

July 3, 2016 through July 30, 2016

District 72 District 10 District 88

July 31, 2016 through August 27, 2016

District 49 District 14 District 81

August 28, 2016 through September 24, 2016

District 50 District 9 District 21

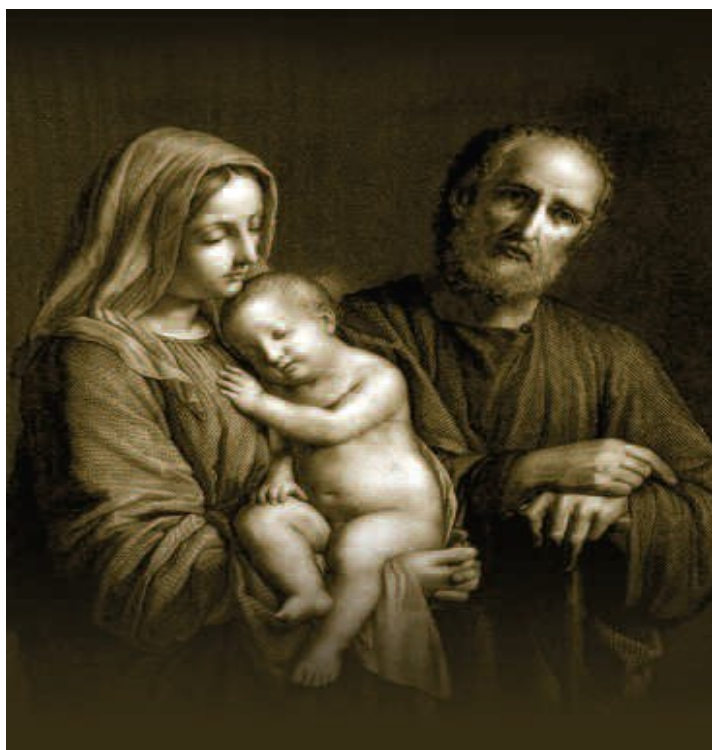
September 25, 2016 through October 22, 2016

District 48 District 8 District 22

October 23, 2016 through November 19, 2016

District 51 District 7 District 29

Holy Family Icon Prayer Program Schedule



Icon #1 Icon #2 Icon #3
November 20, 2016 through December 17, 2016

District 47 District 13 District 25

December 18, 2016 through January 21, 2017

District 42 District 4 District 26

January 22, 2017 through February 18, 2017

District 45 District 12 District 23

February 19, 2017 through March 18, 2017

District 43 District 11 District 46

March 19, 2017 through April 22, 2017

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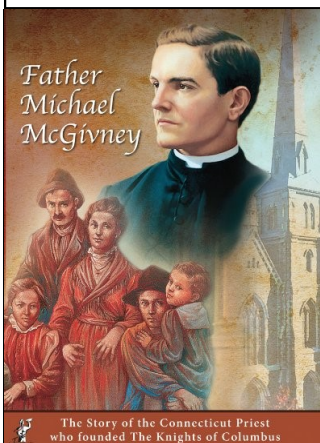
April 23, 2017 through May 20, 2017

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May 21, 2017 through June 17, 2017

District 41 District 60

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An hour-long docudrama on Father Michael McGivney that aired nationwide on public television is now available for purchase on DVD. Learn more about the founder of the Knights of Columbus as his cause for sainthood moves forward at the Vatican.

<http://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html>

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July- August, and is sent free to Guild members.

To join the Guild go to: <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/>

" On the street I saw a small girl shivering in a thin dress, with little hope of a decent meal. I became angry and said to God, "Why do You permit this? Why don't You do something about it?" And God replied, "I certainly did do something about it. I made you."

Sister Mary Rose McGready



Father McGivney Prayer

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Tuesday, December 8, 2015
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica.

JUBILEE OF MERCY MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER

PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION



Sunday, November 20, 2016
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Closing of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica and the conclusion of the Jubilee of Mercy.

Diocesan Meeting Schedule

Green Bay Diocesan Meeting
Saturday, September 12, 2015
8:30 am Registration

Saturday, September 19, 2015
9:00 am Registration

9:00 am Registration

Milwaukee Archdiocese Meeting
Sunday, September 13, 2015
8:30 am Registration

Madison Diocesan Meeting
Sunday, September 20, 2015
9:00 am Registration

Superior Diocesan Meeting (West)
Sunday, September 27, 2015
9:00 am Registration

La Crosse Diocesan Meeting

Superior Diocesan Meeting (East)
Saturday, September 26, 2015

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Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities

The Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus has released the final figures of their recent Tootsie Roll Drive to "Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities". The 2015 program raised in excess of \$675,000.00. Local councils will distribute in their immediate area over \$461,000 of these funds to local groups and organization that assist the intellectually disabled. The State Committee will have available an additional \$154,000 to distribute through their grant application process.

Organizations that work with People with Intellectual Disabilities are encouraged to submit applications for these funds to the Wisconsin State Knights of Columbus. Grant applications can be directed to: Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus % Mark Jelinek, State Chairman, 120 North Park Street, Richland Center, WI 53581. Fifteen (15) copies of the application are necessary and must be submitted by November 20, 2015. Applications must be written on your organizations letterhead and must contain the following information: who do you serve, how many people you serve will be impacted by the grant, how much money you are seeking, and what the money will purchase or provide and grant.

KC Councils are encouraged to assist groups to apply for grant money but the application itself must come from the organization who will receive the grant.

A list of who was awarded grants last year can be found on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Website Forms Page, Community Heading.

Thank you for all you



do for our order.
Mark Jelinek
ID Director

"I'm the Guy" (Author Unknown)

I'm the guy who asked to join your organization. I'm the guy who paid his dues to join.

I'm the guy who stood up in front of you and promised to be faithful and loyal.

I'm the guy who came to your meetings and no one paid attention to.

I tried several times to be friends, but they all had their own buddies to talk to and sit next to.

I sat down several times, but no one paid any attention to me.

I hoped very much that someone would have asked me to take part in a fund raising project or something, but no one saw my efforts when I volunteered.

I missed a few meetings after joining because I was sick and couldn't be there.

No one asked me at the next meeting where I had been.

I guess it didn't matter very much to others whether I was there or not.

The next meeting, I decided to stay home and watch TV.

The following meeting, I attended, but no one asked me where I was for the last meeting.

You might say I'm a good guy or a "good family man" who holds a responsible job and loves his community and country.

You know who else I am?

THE GUY WHO NEVER CAME BACK.

It amuses me how the heads of organizations and the members discuss WHY the organization is losing members.

It amuses me to think that they spend so much time looking for NEW members when I was there all the time.

All they need to do was make me feel needed, wanted, and WELCOME!

What are you doing to keep "That Guy"?



First Degree - Honoree

State Deputy Ronald Faust asks all Councils to show their appreciation to their Bishop Host a first degree in the Bishop's honor this year.

Thank your Bishop for his support of the Knights of Columbus and for attending the State Convention.

Superior ?





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"The Call to Fatherhood"

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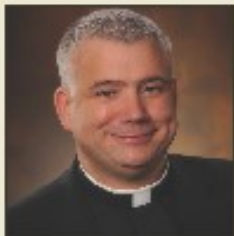
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Because the family is the root of society, we want our family to fulfill its vocation to build the common good.

The civilization of love evokes joy: joy, among other things, for the fact that a man has come into the world (cf. Jn 16:21), and consequently because spouses have become parents. The civilization of love means "rejoicing in the right" (cf. 1 Cor 13:6). But a civilization inspired by a consumerist, anti-birth mentality is not and cannot ever be a civilization of love. If the family is so important for the civilization of love, it is because of the particular closeness and intensity of the bonds which come to be between persons and generations within the family.

St. John Paul II

Letter to Families, §13

How does Joseph exercise his role as protector? Discreetly, humbly and silently, but with an unfailing presence and utter fidelity, even when he finds it hard to understand. From the time of his betrothal to Mary until the finding of the twelve-year-old Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem, he is there at every moment with loving care. As the spouse of Mary, he is at her side in good times and bad, on the journey to Bethlehem for the census and in the anxious and joyful hours when she gave birth; amid the drama of the flight into Egypt and during the frantic search for their child in the Temple; and later in the day-to-day life of the home of Nazareth, in the workshop where he taught his trade to Jesus.

How does Joseph respond to his calling to be the protector of Mary, Jesus, and the Church? By being constantly attentive to God, open to the signs of God's presence and receptive to God's plans, and not simply to his own. ... God does not want a house built by men, but faithfulness to his word, to his plan. It is God himself who builds the house, but from living stones sealed by his Spirit. Joseph is a "protector" because he is able to hear God's voice and be guided by his will; and for this reason he is all the more sensitive to the persons entrusted to his safekeeping. He can look at things realistically, he is in touch with his surroundings, he can make truly wise decisions. In him, dear friends, we learn how to respond to God's call, readily and willingly, but we also see the core of the Christian vocation, which is Christ! Let us protect Christ in our lives, so that we can protect others, so that we can protect creation!

Pope Francis

Homily at his Papal Inauguration, March 19, 2013

Mary as the model of charity. In what way is Mary a living example of love for the Church? Let us think of the readiness she showed toward her cousin Elizabeth. In visiting her, the Virgin Mary brought not only material help — she brought this too — but she also brought Jesus, who was already alive in her womb. Bringing Jesus into that house meant bringing joy, the fullness of joy. Elizabeth and Zechariah were rejoicing at a pregnancy that had seemed impossible at their age, but it was the young Mary who brought them the fullness of joy, the joy which comes from Jesus and from the Holy Spirit, and is expressed by gratuitous charity, by sharing with, helping, and understanding others.

Our Lady also wants to bring the great gift of Jesus to us, to us all; and with him she brings us his love, his peace, and his joy. In this, the Church is like Mary: the Church is not a shop, she is not a humanitarian agency, the Church is not an NGO. The Church is sent to bring Christ and his Gospel to all. She does not bring herself — whether small or great, strong or weak, the Church carries Jesus and should be like Mary when she went to visit Elizabeth. What did Mary take to her? Jesus. The Church brings Jesus: this is the centre of the Church, to carry Jesus! ... The Church must bring Jesus, the love of Jesus, the charity of Jesus.

Pope Francis

General Audience, Oct. 23, 2013

1. How is the family the "root" of society? How do families shape society and our communities?
2. In our family, each person is welcomed. How can I show that each person is lovable and a reason for happiness?
3. Where do I see Christ needing protection in my life? How can I protect him outside the home?
4. How can I "bring Jesus" with me in helping others? How do I think Mary would act in my community with its needs?

September - Psalm of the Month (Psalm 23)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;
 he makes me lie down in green pastures.
 He leads me beside still waters;
 he restores my soul.
 He leads me in paths of righteousness
 for his name's sake.
 Even though I walk through the valley of the
 shadow of death,
 I fear no evil;
 for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff,
 they comfort me.
 Thou preparest a table before me
 in the presence of my enemies;
 thou anointest my head with oil,
 my cup overflows.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
 all the days of my life;
 and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
 forever.



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Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2015 - 2016 Scheduled Degrees: see updated schedule at <http://www.kofcKnights.org/StateCouncilSite/degreeSchedule.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>
(Contact State Secretary Tim Guski with scheduled degrees - tguski@wikofc.com)

First Degrees by Diocese: *Charity*

Green Bay

August 27 - 6228 Wautoma
October 5 - 3955 De Pere
October 7 - 10714 Allouez

La Crosse

September 3 - 6599 Elmwood
September 8 - 4125 Tomah
October 3 - 2055 Menomonie
October 11 - 3492 Richland Center
November 17 - 15739 Plum City

Madison

September 3 - 9360 Janesville
September 8 - 531 Madison
September 15 - 9230 Janesville
November 12 - 10363 Janesville

Milwaukee

August 24 - 13733 Big Bend
August 24 - 15090 Waukesha
September 1 - 4877 Ripon
September 8 - 524 Milwaukee

September 8 - 3562 Pewaukee
September 8 - 13583 Milwaukee
September 10 - 1964 West Bend
September 14 - 4520 Grafton
September 17 - 697 Racine
September 17 - 15659 Racine
September 17 - 3702 Brookfield
September 27 - 4240 Menomonee Falls
September 28 - 15090 Waukesha
September 28 - 13733 Big Bend
October 6 - 7798 Holy Hill
October 8 - 1837 Beaver Dam
October 13 - 524 Milwaukee
October 15 - 3702 Brookfield
October 15 - 697 Racine
October 15 - 15659 Racine
October 20 - 4614 Milwaukee
October 22 - 3464 Elkhorn
October 26 - 15090 Waukesha
October 26 - 13733 Big Bend
October 27 - Whitefish Bay

November 10 - 524 Milwaukee
November 10 - 3562 Pewaukee
November 17 - 1709 South Milwaukee
November 17 - 5438 Mequon
November 19 - 697 Racine
November 19 - 3702 Brookfield
November 22 - 4240 Menomonee Falls

Superior

September 8 - 1744 Medford
September 8 - 2066 Tomahawk
September 14 - 5397 Spooner
September 16 - 7827 Woodruff
September 20 - 1133 Merrill
October 1 - 5415 Eagle River
October 4 - 6560 Gilman
October 7 - 2032 Rhinelander
October 25 - 6370 Grantsburg
November 17 - 12609 Balsam Lake

Second Degrees: *Unity*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
September 20, 2015	3:00pm	1133	Merrill	Neil Micke	(715)678-6140
September 23, 2015	6:30pm	974	Chippewa Falls	Tom Eder	(715)456.6646
October 3, 2015	8:00am	2055	Menomonie	John Booth	(715)426-5800
October 24, 2015	8:00am	6228	Wautoma	Jack Fulcher	(715)258-6842
October 25, 2015	12:30pm	4871	Dodgeville	Joseph Pflieger	(608)935-3246
November 14, 2015	10:30am	4580	Franklin	Tim Bowen	(414)708-4248

Third Degrees: *Fraternity*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
September 20, 2015		1133	Merrill	Neil Micke	(715) 678-6140
September 23, 2015		974	Chippewa Falls	Tom Eder	(715)456.6646
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October 24, 2015		6228	Wautoma	Jack Fulcher	(715)258-6842
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To schedule a Second or Third Degree in your Council/District, Contact PSD/FM Roland Ransom (262) 441-1306



Fourth Degrees: *Patriotism*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Eastern or Western District</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
September 26, 2015	Manitowoc	Eastern District	(262) 246-4232
October 17, 2015	New Richmond	Western District	(715) 423-0939
February 6, 2016	Onalaska	Western District	(715) 423-0939

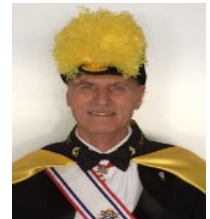


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Our Marriage Prayer

*Lord, help us to remember when we first met
and the strong love that grew between us.
To work that love into practical things
so that nothing can divide us.*

*We ask for words both kind and loving
and hearts always ready to ask for forgiveness
as well as to forgive.*

Dear Lord,

we put our marriage into Your hands.

Amen



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State Pride, Knights of Columbus Style



Members of the Knights of Columbus participate in the international hospitality tour at the 2016 Supreme Convention in Philadelphia.

Meanwhile on the fifth floor, the pin-swap festivities were well underway. Knights' representatives arrive to the convention armed with 50 or more pins from their home state, in hopes of trading them away for pins from other states.

It's a way to meet other delegates and to "collect them all," Roland Ransom from Wisconsin said, accompanied by his Lady Judy.

Christmas in July

Brother Sir Knight Gregory Cemke and Pere Rene Honor Guard pray before going to present toys to St. Josephs Children's Hospital in Marshfield



Wisconsin State Golf Outing Westhaven Golf Course in Oshkosh, WI



At left: Host Mike Bushman (right) presents Men's Champion Trophy to Orv Delveaux (far left)

At right: The lady winners at the State Knights of Columbus Golf Outing are: Pam Zielinski & Shelli Otto



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Knights and Friends of the Women's care center,

Thank you all for your help and support.

God has truly blessed our family week event.

We raised over \$1400.00 for the Madison Women's Care Center and served just under 460 people at the Tailgate. Thanks to our Sponsors, we only spent \$342.00. That means we fed all those who attended for just 78 cents each all they could eat. And the Mallards beat the Wausau Woodchucks 6-1 in the 8th Inning. Imagine if we sold 1000 tickets next year. Thank you to our Generous Sponsors for all their help and support & we would like to extend a special Thank you to:

Tom and Patty Okey Family and Okey's Market, at 13 West Amelia, Cassville, WI 53806. With their generous help and support we were given almost all of the supplies for the Tailgate. (Including all our burgers, hotdogs, napkins, plates, water, condiments, beans, cookies and more). <http://www.okeysmarket.com/>

Charles Crave and the Crave Brothers Farmstead cheese, W11555 Torpy Road, Waterloo, WI 53594- 9652. For the pulled pork, potato salad, Cheese Curds, Veggies, and more. <http://www.cravecheese.com/>

Amy Gehrke, Vice President for Advancement, with her husband, Jim and Wisconsin Right to Life, 9730 W. Blue mound Rd., Suite 200, Milwaukee, WI 53226. For their Generous Donation to our cause, helping staff our tables, inside the Gate, and Jim's photography skills with Kailas camera. <http://www.wrtl.org/>

State Director, Dan Miller, and Pro-Life Wisconsin, for their generous donation and support of the Women's Care Center. <http://www.prolifewisconsin.org/>

There are three Sponsors who have been invaluable to our charity and have supported our efforts since the very beginning 5 long years ago. They are:

Steve Schmitt, owner of Madison Mallards, along with Vern Stenman, President, who went along with our Crazy idea and backed us all the way to make it happen. We also would like to thank all of the Mallard's amazing staff who have helped make the event as seamless as possible throughout the years. Specifically, Connor Caloia-COO, Tyler Isham – General Manager, Will Martin – Inside Sales Manager, and many more. <http://northwoodsleague.com/madison-mallards/>

Jim DeSchepper & Relevant Radio, and Tim Hein joined in 2012, 702 High Point Rd., Madison, WI. Relevant Radio has donated all of the Radio Advertising without which we could not get the word out about our Wonderful family week game. They have shifted schedules around every year in order for us to get the word out across the diocese. <https://www.facebook.com/RR1240> And finally but far from the least important our Madison Area Field Agents of the Knights of Columbus,

Dennis O'Connell and his lovely wife Toni, They have been with us from the very beginning and have helped finance this game in the early years and still help us build for the Future. Luke Mienholz joined us 3 years ago with his lovely wife Meredith, both our agents do so much to support life and make this family week game a success. I have been blessed to work with them both.

I apologize for being verbose, however this Game and the event starts its planning in December for the following August. I think a lot of people think it's just about the Money for the Madison Women's Care Center; however this Game is about the Family and celebrating life and building up the family in fun and love. More so than the money. (Yes we want people to give) but more than ever the Women's Care Center stands for life and the Knights of Columbus take one week a year (called KofC Family Week, this year, Aug. 9-16, 2015) to build up the Family, culminating in the celebration and memorial testament to our founder, Venerable Fr. Michael Joseph McGivney (August 12, 1852 – August 14, 1890). Our founder only had 38 short years here, but he gave his whole life to and for his family, his Church and his Parish, as its spiritual Father.

We strive, with this event, to do the same. To bring awareness to those who are struggling as a family, to bring a child into the world, like those that enter the Madison Women's Care Center. And we Work to build up the Family with our whole family and friends as we come together for this day to celebrate the family and life.

Please remember next year's game is just less than 365 days away. The dates will be set in December or early January.

Thank you also to Geri Bastian and the Color and Honor Guard as well as Bill Fraiser for cooking and supplying the grill as well as the Waukegan Knights of Columbus and their wonderful Choir for singing the National Anthem.
 God Bless, Your Brother in Christ,
 Charles R. Kazmer, Trustee, KofC Agent WCC Charity fund

