

Knights Of Columbus

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KC 524 Center Inc.
16334 W. Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151
(North-West of the Ale House)

MARCH 2026

**Knights of Columbus Council 524 Receives
Supreme Council's Top Award,
5th year in a row.**

KnightsLife

Newsletter

1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Degrees

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**for Eucharistic Adoration every Monday from 1pm to 2pm.
Contact Jason Zidek at 414-793-0450 for more information.**



BHA 1196: March 2nd

7:00pm (4th Degree)

COUNCIL 524: March 19th

**7:00pm in CHURCH HALL
(At ST. JOHN'S EVANGELIST)
ROSARY 6:30pm**



524 COUNCIL OFFICERS

2025-2026

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Chaplain | Very Rev, Father Michael Merkt | 414-321-1965 |
| Grand Knight | Peter Kurz | 414-659-2656 |
| D. Grand Knight | Jason Zidek | 414-793-0450 |
| Chancellor | Randy Soukup | 262-786-3693 |
| Recorder | Nicholas Popowycz | 414-202-8306 |
| Treasurer | David Mohrbacker | 414-671-6952 |
| Advocate | Steven Jambor | 414-704-7598 |
| Warden | Allen Mohrbacker | 414-218-9485 |
| Inside Guard | John Herr | 414-207-0119 |
| Outside Guard | Donald Koblewski | 414-543-1208 |
| Trustee 1 Year | Chris Mohrbacker | 414-769-6228 |
| Trustee 2 Year | Bob Mohrbacker | 414-719-5573 |
| Trustee 3 Year | Mike Popowycz | 414-467-5501 |
| Financial Sec. | Patrick Reiff | 414-403-7504 |
| Lecturer | John Oakland | 414-617-4122 |
| District Deputy | Jason Zidek | 414-793-0450 |
| General Agent | Kenneth Basel | 608-531-8311 |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| President | Robert Butler | 414-339-2065 |
| Vice President | David Mohrbacker | 414-671-6952 |
| Secretary | Roger Leto | 262-250-1702 |
| Treasurer | Patrick Reiff | 414-403-7504 |

FOUNDATION BOARD

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|----------------|------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|--------------|
| President | Peter Kurz | 414-659-2656 | Secretary | Daniel Diliberti | 414-321-7099 |
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4th DEGREE BISHOP HENNI

ASSEMBLY #1196

| | | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Friar | Very Rev. Father Dominic Vitaliano | 217-552-7913 |
| Navigator | SK David Mohrbacker | 414-671-6952 |
| Captain | SK Robert Mohrbacker | 414-719-5573 |
| Comptroller | SK Bob Butler | 414-339-2065 |
| Scribe | SK Randy Soukup | 262-786-3693 |

MEMBERSHIP & PROGRAMS

Membership Director: Len Felske 414-339-5779

Program Director: Jason Zidek 414-793-0450

MONTHLY MEETINGS

@ 524 CENTER

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| Council Meeting | 3 rd Thursday @ 7:00pm (CHECK CALENDAR FOR LOCATION) |
| Officer Meeting | 1 st Thursday @ 7:00pm |
| Center Board Meeting | 3 rd Wednesday @ 7:00pm (EVERY OTHER MONTH) |
| Foundation Meeting | TO BE DETERMINED |
| Bishop Henni 4 th Degree (no meeting July & August) | 1 st Monday @ 7:00pm |

Submit KnightLife Articles by Last Day of the Month

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AREA 2 CALENDAR -- JULY 2025 – JUNE 2026
(DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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|-----------------------|---|---|
| MAR 14 ,2026 | - | SAINT PATRICKS DAY MASS SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH 8:30 AM |
| MAR 17, 2026 | - | HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY |
| MAR 16, 2026 | - | AREA 2 MEETING – 7 PM |
| MAR 29, 2026 | - | PALM SUNDAY |
| APR 00, 2026 | - | FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION |
| APR 05, 2026 | - | EASTER SUNDAY |
| APR 25, 2026 | - | HONOR FLIGHT |
| MAY 2026 | - | EASTERN DISTRICT LEADERSHIP BI-YEARLY MEETING |
| MAY 2026 | - | BLUE MASS BASILICA OF SAINT JOSAPHAT |
| MAY 10, 2026 | - | HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY |
| MAY 30, 2026 | - | HONOR FLIGHT |
| MAY 15-16,2025 | - | WISCONSIN STATE CONVENTION MIDDLETON,WI. |
| MAY 18, 2026 | - | AREA 2 MEETING 7PM |
| MAY 25, 2026 | - | HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY |
| JUNE 2026 | - | SPECIAL OLYMPICS |
| JUNE 30, 2026 | - | HONOR FLIGHT |
| JUNE 21, 2026 | - | HAPPY FATHER'S DAY |
| JUNE 2026 | - | POLISH FEST MASS |

1. **Bishop Henni Assembly 1196**
2. **Albert Cardinal Meyer Assembly 1304**
3. **Monsignor Arnold Assembly 1307**
4. **Basilica of St. Josaphat Assembly 3210**
5. **Sacred Heart Assembly 3316**

HONOR GUARD EVENTS MARCH 2026

Sir Knights:

A life-sized statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be at Our Lady of Champion Shrine from March 6, 2026 through March 11, 2026. It is traveling from the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City and making a special stop on a worldwide tour preparing for the 500th anniversary of her 1531 apparitions to St. Juan Diego on Tepeyac Hill. Mass is at 11:30 AM on Friday 3/6/26. Please arrive by 11:00 AM. Bishop Ricken is the Celebrant. [HONOR GUARD SIGN-UP](#)

Saturday March 14, 2026, Saint Patrick's Day Mass At Saint Patrick's Catholic Church Located At 723 West Washington Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Main Celebrant Most Reverend Jeffrey Grob And Mass Is At 8:30 Am. Honor Guard To Arrive At 8:00 Am. Commander to be SK David Sytkowski.

Saturday March 14, 2026, Men Of Christ At Miller Theatre Located At 500 Kilbourn Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Main Celebrant Most Reverend Jeffrey Grob And Mass Is At 4:00 PM. Honor Guard To Arrive At 3:30 PM. Commander to be SK Timothy Nighbor.

Hispanic Men's Encuentro that will take place on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 3501 S. Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI. Bishop James Schuerman, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee will be the Main Celebrant, and the Mass will start at 5:00 PM. Honor Guard to arrive at 4:30PM. Commander will be SK David Sytkowski.

Special College Exemplification – March 21 in Kenosha; the Honor Guard has been requested for a Fourth Degree Exemplification on Saturday March 21, 2026. If you are able, please participate. Practice starts at 9AM. Exemplification of Patriotism – Faith & Patriotism St. Anthony of Padua 2223 51st. Street Kenosha, WI 53140. Luncheon tickets are \$25; contact Jack Wrbanich (920) 246-4281.

Fraternally,

SK David G. Sytkowski, PGK, PFN
BHA 1196 Honor Guard Cmdr

HONOR GUARD EVENTS MARCH 2026





FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Saturday, April 11, 2026

HOSTED BY

**St. Jude assembly 1724
Oneida**

**Our lady of lourdes Catholic Church
1307 Lourdes Avenue, De Pere, WI 54115**



**JACK WRBANICH
DISTRICT MASTER**

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Wisconsin State Council
Knights of Columbus
CHARITIES
United in Charity.

RAFFLE

1st Prize **\$50,000!**

2nd Prize **\$25,000!**

or 2026 Harley
Davidson Motorcycle



An Amazing 98 More Cash Prizes!

3rd through 100th - \$500 each

Tickets \$5.00 each. 100% of profits go to charities in Wisconsin!

Drawing held Saturday, May 16, 2026 at 7:15 PM at Marriott Madison West Hotel, Middleton
State Raffle License # R0009675-A-65783

Winners will be posted on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus website within 48 hours.

Ticket Contact E-mail: UKNIGHT.ORG?PCNO=524

Charity Raffle

Dear Brother Nights,

The Wisconsin State Council of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring their annual statewide charity raffle. The proceeds from this raffle are used to help support your brother Knights and other members of our community to alleviate sorrow, ease financial burden, and restore hope to victims and families related to accidents and injuries.

The total prizes to be paid out to 100 winners will be \$124,000 with \$50,000 going to the first place winner, \$25,000 to second place winner, and \$500 to 98 more winners. Last year the Knights sold 125,918 tickets which means that your odds of winning are certainly much better than the state lottery and the use of the net income is for some very worthy cause. This is the largest raffle in the state of Wisconsin for the \$5.00 price.

Since the drawing will take place during the State Convention I would appreciate having all of the ticket sales returned no later than April 20th, the ticket stubs along with your check or cash must be returned to our Council Charity Chairman so that they can be recorded and forwarded, do not send any ticket stubs, checks or cash to our Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus state office in Madison or to the Convention Hotel center.

The drawing will take place at the State Convention on Saturday, May 16th, 2026, at 7:15 PM at the Marriott Hotel Madison West in Middleton. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Other information can be obtained from the Knights of Columbus Council.

Remember charity is a virtue that gladdens the heart of the giver.

Fraternally yours,

Council chairman

NOTICE:

Council 524 and Assembly 1196

This will be my last year as a multiple OFFICER in both council 524 and assembly 1196. If you would like to join in and become an officer please call me, your GRAND KNIGHT, or NAVIGATOR.

I will be able to train you this fiscal year so you would be able to do the work starting July 2026.

Here is a few responsibilities I have:

Center Board of Directors- President

Assembly 1196- Comptroller

Council 524 Golf League- President

KnightLife Newsletter- Co-editor with Randy S.

Foundation Board- member

S/k Bob Butler

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**MEN OF
CHRIST**
LIVE YOUR FAITH BOLDLY



20TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

BUILDING MEN OF VIRTUE

MILLER HIGH LIFE THEATRE | MILWAUKEE

A DAY ROOTED IN CHRIST

Begin the day with
Mass. End with
spiritual renewal.

FATHERS & SONS

Come together.
Share a powerful
Father/Son blessing.

WIVES & DAUGHTERS

Strengthen the men
in your life and parish
with the power of
your prayers.

COURAGEOUS PRIESTS

Our spiritual leaders
will hear many
confessions and
heal countless souls.



JIM WAHLBERG
Filmmaker, author, and speaker inspiring faith through stories of redemption and service to youth and recovery communities.



DR. EDWARD SRI
Catholic theologian, author, and FOCUS co-founder known for his books, podcasts, and international faith formation work.



SR. MIRIAM JAMES HEIDLAND
Former D1 athlete turned inspiring Sister after a life changing, healing conversion.



DR. JOHN BISHOP
Founder of Forge, a men's ministry strengthening families; theologian, author, and father of three.



ARCHBISHOP GROB
Appointed in 2024; devoted to guiding the faithful, strengthening Church unity, and nurturing spiritual growth.

MARCH 14th

REGISTER @
menofchrist.net

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH 2026

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|---------------------|-------|
| Ken Brielmaier | 03-01 |
| David Oberle | 03-01 |
| Steven Jambor | 03-04 |
| Christopher Kelly | 03-05 |
| Don Mours* | 03-06 |
| Rev Alfredo Turco* | 03-11 |
| Patrick Reiff* | 03-17 |
| Daniel Weber* | 03-19 |
| Phillip Nisiewicz* | 03-22 |
| David Zidek | 03-22 |
| Robert Joers* | 03-23 |
| James Haberle* | 03-26 |
| John Shimek | 03-26 |
| Alphonse Wisniewski | 03-26 |
| Rev Dennis Lewis | 03-27 |
| John Imp | 03-27 |
| Duane Joers | 03-28 |
| Jason Zidek* | 03-30 |

APRIL 2026

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|------------------|-------|
| Mark Rydlewicz | 04-08 |
| Anthony Russo | 04-09 |
| Larry Wachowiak | 04-10 |
| Sergio Lizama | 04-10 |
| Luis DeLaCruz* | 04-11 |
| Mike Ignatowski* | 04-12 |
| Gordon Daniel | 04-13 |
| Terrill Treazise | 04-22 |
| Leopold Gaar | 04-23 |
| John Russo | 04-23 |
| Andrew Rajec* | 04-23 |
| William Thorn* | 04-23 |
| John Ballogh | 04-25 |
| Tom Zimmerman | 04-26 |

* **DENOTE FOURTH DEGREE MEMBER**

When you see any of these Gentlemen tell them Happy Birthday.

March 2026

◀ February

April ▶

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|-----|
| 1 | 2 BHA MEETING 7:00pm | 3 | 4 | 5 524 OFFICER MEETING 7:00pm. | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Daylight Saving Begins | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 St Patrick's Day | 18 7:00pm CENTER BOARD MEETING | 19 524 COUNCIL MEETING 7:00pm St. John's Church (630 pm ROSARY) | 20 Start of Spring (Spring Equinox) | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |